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1. LEADS INVESTIGATED BY CIA. This list does not include disseminations or memoranda on Gilberto ALVARADO Ugarte and Silvia Tirado de DURAN. These two leads have been treated separately elsewhere in this study.
 2. Each document is listed chronologically in the first column with an indication of the type of document involved (OUT Teletype Message - DIRECTOR cable disseminated by electrical means; CSCI dissemination - through regular liaison channels, or memorandum). Following the subject of the document there is an appropriate excerpt from the document.
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26 November 1963 DIR 85069

Subject: Travel of Pro-Communist Costa Rican Congressman to Texas on 26 November 1963.

"A usually reliable source reported on 26 November 1963, that Julio SUNOL Leal, pro-communist, pro-Castro deputy to the Costa Rican National Assembly, planned to leave San Jose, Costa Rica, for Poland 24 November to attend the World Peace Conference in Warsaw, Poland. SUNOL delayed his departure and now plans to leave San Jose 26 November.

"Representatives of this Agency in Costa Rica suspect that SUNOL will try to gather data in Texas to use in pro-communist/Castro propaganda in connection with the assassination of President Kennedy.

26 November 1963 DIR 85176

Subject: Marina Nikolaeva OSWALD.

"The following information on Marina Nikolaeva OSWALD, wife of Lee Harvey OSWALD, was volunteered by Moroccan student Mohammed REGGAB: born on 3 January 1938 in Safi, Morocco. REGGAB is now living at Nuernbergerstr. 19, West Berlin. REGGAB was a student at the Moscow Institute of Cinematography from September 1960 to April 1962. He came to Berlin in April 1963 as a student and on 26 November volunteered the following information on Mrs. OSWALD, who had been one of his girl friends in Moscow. He identified her on the basis of a photo and the first name, Marina, which appeared in the 25 November 1963 issue of Berliner Zeitung.

"REGGAB makes a favorable impression and is available for further questioning."

26 November 1963 DIR 85177

Subject: Telecon between Cuban President DORTICOS and Joaquin HERNANDEZ Armas.

"Following is account of telephone conversation between Cuban President Osvaldo DORTICOS in Havana and Joaquin HERNANDEZ Armas, Cuban Ambassador to Mexico in Mexico City at 0940 hours Mexico City time on 26 November 1963 as reported from sensitive source." (See Chronological Summary on Silvia Tirado de DURAN.)

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27 November 1963 CSCI-3/778,881

Subject: Lee H. OSWALD/Soviet Activities in Mexico City, 18 - 24 November 1963.

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"1. Forwarded as Attachment A is a resume of the observed activities of Valeriy Vladimirovich KOSTIKOV and Ivan Gavrilovich ALFERIEV as reported by a reliable source in Mexico City. Attention was given to KOSTIKOV because of the indication that he is the consul who interviewed OSWALD on 28 September 1963 . . . ALFERIEV travelled with KOSTIKOV to northern Mexico during the early part of September 1963. Source reported that during the period under review the observed activities of KOSTIKOV and ALFERIEV appeared to be normal, as did the activities of the entire Soviet Embassy complement.

"2. Forwarded as Attachment B is a resume of telephone calls placed to and from the Soviet Embassy on the afternoon of 22 November. Analysis of calls made the morning of 22 November and the morning and afternoon of 23 November revealed no pertinent information."

27 November 1963 DIR 85182

Subject: Lee H. OSWALD.

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"2. On 23 November 1963, Richard Thomas GIBSON, who was acquainted with Lee Harvey OSWALD, made the following statements to a close friend in Bern, Switzerland:

"OSWALD is 'one of us'. Two years ago OSWALD and GIBSON corresponded and OSWALD became a member of the Committee (presumably the Fair Play for Cuba Committee). OSWALD is crazy. GIBSON burned all of his correspondence with OSWALD. GIBSON is glad that he (GIBSON) is not in New York now and he feels sorry for 'Lee' who is in New York and 'Tibor'.

"3. According to other information available to our representative in Bern, Richard Thomas GIBSON, born 13 May 1931 in Los Angeles, California, has resided in Lausanne, Switzerland, since April 1963. He is a negro journalist and has been active in the Fair Play for Cuba Committee since its organization in 1960. In Switzerland he has been involved in the publication La Revolution Africaine."

<p>26 November 1963 DIR 85246 <u>Subject:</u> Lee H. OSWALD.</p> <p>"On 26 November, Dr. Jose Guillermo AGUIRRE of Mexico told the following information to Peter MORAGA, United States Information Service officer in Mexico City:</p> <p>"Maria Rodriguez de LOPEZ, said a son-in-law of hers, Arnesto RODRIGUEZ, who lives in New Orleans was well acquainted with Lee OSWALD. Son-in-law is a Cuban who lives at 212 Jefferson Parrish, New Orleans, tel: Vernon 5-9658. Arnesto RODRIGUEZ runs a Spanish language school and is anti-Castro. According to Maria Rodriguez de LOPEZ her son-in-law has a taped conversation with OSWALD."</p>	<p>* USIS</p>	<p>FBI, State, White House, Secret Service</p>
<p>27 November 1963 Blind Memorandum <u>Subject:</u> Yuriy Vladimirovich KOSTIKOV.</p> <p>"After examining all our traces on KOSTIKOV, we are convinced beyond reasonable doubt that he is a staff officer of the KGB. Contributing to this conclusion are his associates, his movements, his Mexican and other contacts and his cover position, as well as his involvement in the TUMBLEWEED operation.</p> <p>"KOSTIKOV's involvement in TUMBLEWEED is our only reason to believe that he is connected with the 13th Department. KOSTIKOV was in clandestine contact with TUMBLEWEED (as definitely confirmed by TUMBLEWEED's photo identification) and arranged TUMBLEWEED's contact in the U.S. with a KGB colleague of KOSTIMOV's."</p>	<p>* FBI</p>	<p>FBI</p>
<p>28 November 1963 DIR 85657 <u>Subject:</u> None given.</p> <p>"On 26 November 1963 a British journalist named John WILSON, and also known as John WILSON-HUDSON, gave information to the American Embassy in London which indicated that an 'American gangster-type named RUGY' visited Cuba around 1959. WILSON himself was working in Cuba at the time and was jailed by Castro before he was deported.</p> <p>"In prison in Cuba, WILSON says he met an American gangster gambler named SANTOS who could not return to the USA because there were several indictments outstanding against him. Instead he preferred to live in</p>	<p>* USEMB London</p>	<p>FBI, State, White House</p>

relative luxury in a Cuban prison. While SANTOS was in prison, WILSON says, SANTOS was visited frequently by an American gangster-type named RUBY. His story is being followed up. WILSON says he had once testified about Castro activities before the Eastland Committee of the U.S. Senate, sometime in 1959 or 1960."

28 November 1963 DIR 85665 Subject: None given.

"Our Station in The Hague has reported that on 23 November 1963, a local Castroite named Maria SNETHLAGE talked to Third Secretary Ricardo SANTOS of the Cuban Embassy in The Hague and said that she knew the 'Mr. LEE' [sic] who murdered President Kennedy. She characterized 'LEE' as a man full of hate and violence, and speculated that he had been 'misused by a group'. She said she had written to GIBSON (undoubtedly Richard GIBSON, U.S. citizen of Lausanne, Switzerland, born 13 May 1935, a Castro sympathizer, who had visited the Netherlands recently and was in contact both with the Soviet Ambassador and the Cuban Embassy).

"Later on 23 November, Maria SNETHLAGE talked again to Third Secretary SANTOS and said that 'Mr. LEE of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee' had been slandered. It was another person, 'named Lee OSWALD', who had done it. SNETHLAGE is reported to have been in Cuba in January and again in May 1963.

"Dutch authorities have informed us that on 7 November, in talking about attacks by Cuban refugees against the Cuban mainland, SANTOS had replied 'just wait and you will see what we can do. It will happen soon'. Asked to be more precise, SANTOS had replied 'just wait. just wait'. SANTOS is reported to have a pro-Castro brother in the U.S.A.

"A very sensitive source reports that after his conversations with SNETHLAGE, SANTOS was furious because she had not contacted him."

28 November 1963 DIR 85676 Subject: Travel of Soviet Diplomatic Couriers.

"1. Reference is made to your teletype of 8 November 1963 concerning the travel to Mexico of Soviet diplomatic couriers Valentin Germanovich PONOMAREV and Aleksey Nikolayevich POPKOV.

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"2. According to our representative in Mexico City, PONOMAREV and POPKOV left Mexico City for Cuba on 12 November via Cubana 465 and returned to Mexico City on 18 November via Cubana.

"3. A usually reliable and sensitive source reported that they probably left Mexico City for New York on 23 November via Aeronaes Flt 451. The same source reported that one 'ANANYEV' (phonetic) of the Soviet Consulate in New York contacted the Soviet Embassy in Mexico City on 23 November and requested information on which flight the couriers were taking. Assistant Consul Valeriy Vladimirovich KOSTIKOV provided the information on behalf of the Soviet Embassy in Mexico City."

29 November 1963 DIR 85691 Subject: None given.

"1. Your attention is called to a series of anonymous telephone calls made to the Office of the U.S. Naval Attache in Canberra, Australia, by a mand claiming to have had knowledge about a Soviet plot to assassinate the late President Kennedy. Our first record of this matter is a Naval Attache cable from Canberra sent on 24 November 1963.

"8. Australian authorities working on this case consider the called to be a crank. They state that Soviet offices in Australia do not use anything but Soviet chauffeurs; they have no record of their using a Polish chauffeur. They are continuing their investigation."

29 November 1963 DIR 85715 Subject: Travel of Lee Harvey OSWALD.

Information gathered from various foreign sources regarding the travel of Lee Harvey OSWALD and his wife in 1959 and 1962.

29 November 1963 DIR 85770 Subject: None given.

"2. On 4 November 1963, a U.S. Army Pfc Eugene B. DINKIN, serial number RA 76710292, about 24 years old, went absent without leave from his unit, Headquarters Company, U.S. Army General Depot, Metz, France. He was scheduled for a psychiatric examination that same day. He apparently entered Switzerland using a false Army identification card with forged travel orders.

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"3. On 6 and 7 November 1963 he appeared in the Press Room of United Nations Office in Geneva and told reporters he was being persecuted. He also wished to alert the world to the U. S. Government 'propaganda campaign'. Army reports show that he voluntarily returned to his unit in Metz on or about 11 November 1963.

"4. Around 26 November 1963, after President Kennedy had been assassinated, a Geneva journalist named Alex des FONTAINES, stringer for Time-Life and correspondent for Radio Canada, was reported to be filing a story to the Paris office of Time-Life recounting Private DINKIN's visit to Geneva and quoting DINKIN as having said that 'they' were plotting against President Kennedy and that 'something' would happen in Texas. Des FONTAINES had been prompted to do this by an unidentified female reporter who had recalled such statements by DINKIN; des FONTAINES thought he recalled he had heard DINKIN say something like that also, and although he did not really believe that DINKIN had grounds for his statements when he made them, he filed the story just to be sure.

"5. All aspects of this story were known, as reported above, by U.S. military authorities and have been reported by military attache cable through military channels."

30 November 1963 "CSCI-3/778,894 Subject: Lee H. OSWALD.

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"1. Attached is an article which appeared on page 2 of the 29 November 1963 issue of the Washington Daily News. The article contains information which implies that two persons might have been involved in the assassination of President Kennedy. . . .

"2. The Washington Daily News article also states that the full-page ad [placed in The Dallas Morning News on 22 November] which presumably cost \$1250.00 was placed by [Bernard] WEISSMAN, that he paid cash for the ad, and that WEISSMAN resided in Dallas at a small apartment house. The article indicates . . . that he roomed with one William BURLEY, . . .

"3. The records of this office contain information about one Bill BURLEY, a U.S. Air Force Tech Sergeant, stationed in Libya in 1958 who may have been involved in nefarious activities. You are referred to the Office of Special Investigations, USAF, for possible additional information.

"4. Our information indicates that BURLEY had contact with [foreign] persons whose activities seem to have been questionable. . . .

"6. The above information is provided as a result of a preliminary check of our records. The records of this office contain no additional information which at this time can be identified as pertaining to the persons who might be identical with the men who placed the newspaper ad, or to persons who might have been in contact with them."

3 December 1963 DIR 86496

Subject: Lee Harvey OSWALD.

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"On the question of why Lee OSWALD felt that he could not get his Mexican visa extended without using his real name, the following may be germane: Mexican immigration records checked by the U.S. Consulate in Nuevo Laredo and reported through the U.S. Embassy to both out office and yours, showed that Lee OSWALD entered Mexico on 26 September 1963 using the name HARVEY OSWALD LEE. It may be that OSWALD feared that any attempt to extend his visa would result in discovery that he was in the country under a false name; he might have had to show some identification to get the visa extended, and he probably had no documentation in the name of HARVEY OSWALD LEE."

4 December 1963 DIR 86702

Subject: Lee Harvey OSWALD.

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"Records of the Foreigners Records Office of the German Federal Republic in Cologne, Germany, show that Marina Nikolayevna PUSAKOVA OSWALD crossed West Germany from East Germany to Holland on 3 June 1962. She traveled by rail, crossing into West Germany at Helmstedt on 3 June and entering Holland by rail at the Bentheim crossing point. She had West German visa 694/62 issued at the West German Embassy in Moscow. She listed her final destination as U.S.A. Comment: This confirms information from the U.S. Embassy in Moscow to the effect that the OSWALD family traveled from Moscow to Rotterdam by rail around 3 June 1962. Helmstedt and Bentheim are on the main rail route from Russia to Rotterdam. While Lee OSWALD himself and their infant daughter are not recorded in German records this probably because little attention is paid to U.S. citizens and to infants in keeping travel records."

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Subject: None given.

5 December 1963 DIR 87189

"1. We have learned that on 3 December 1963, a known Soviet intelligence officer in New Delhi, India, working through Indian communists, attempted to have a number of telegrams sent to President JOHNSON, Chief Justice WARREN, and Attorney General KENNEDY from Indian youth, legal, and other groups, demanding a full probe into the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. Apparently the Soviet officer undertook to pay for all the telegrams; he said the whole scheme was based on 'orders from Moscow'."

"2. Note: To check on this story and to detect similar activity from other areas, this Agency would appreciate receiving data on any such telegrams which have been received."

Subject: Lee Harvey OSWALD.

6 December 1963 DIR 87520

"Reference is made to our OUT Telegram no. 86702 of 4 December 1963 which gave information on the travel of Marina OSWALD (and presumably also Lee Harvey OSWALD and their daughter) across West Germany on their return from the Soviet Union. Information now available from Dutch authorities seems to confirm this. On 3 June 1962 one M. OSWALD, listed as a male Russian citizen entered the Netherlands by train at the Oldenzaal border point. Comment: It is believed that the listing of this person as a male instead of female was just an error of the border officials. Note that Oldenzaal is opposite Bentheim, the German border point where Marina OSWALD left Germany."

Subject: Richard BEYMER, American Movie Actor, in Touch with Cuban Embassy, Mexico City.

9 December 1963 DIR 87731

"1. The Mexico City News of 5 December 1963 carried a picture of Richard BEYMER, American movie actor, who was a delegate to the Film Festival being held in Acapulco.

"2. BEYMER was in touch with the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City on 2 December, and a person believed to be BEYMER was in touch with the Embassy on 30 November. He wanted to speak to Silvia DURAN, who was not at the Embassy. Another employee told him that no reply had been received from Cuba.

"3. This office has no information on BEYMER.

"4. DURAN is the Mexican employee of the Cuban Embassy with whom Lee H. OSWALD was in touch regarding a visa for Cuba.

"5. This information is for your use only and may not be disseminated without permission from this Agency."

9 December 1963 DIR 87796 Subject: None given.

"1. The American Embassy in Stockholm, Sweden, has received a letter mailed 25 November 1963 in Stockholm alleging that the assassination of President Kennedy was arranged by the Red Chinese. The letter purports to be from one Ryo Liang Yuan of the Red Chinese Embassy in Stockholm, but no such official is assigned there and there is no record of Chinese official by this name anywhere abroad.

"2. The letter is written in broken English and stated that the Chinese communists got in contact with OSWALD when he was in the Soviet Union. When OSWALD returned to the U.S.A., the Red Chinese re-contacted him, threatened to expose him if he did not cooperate. The Red Chinese expected that the U.S. would attack Cuba when it learned that the assassin was a Cuban sympathizer. The Soviets would then attack the U.S.A., the Red Chinese would ask the Soviets for atomic weapons, the Communist Bloc would win the war, the Chinese Reds would then assassinate KHRUSHCHEV and take over control.

"3. The writer said he worked for the 'Department of State Secret', but no department by this name is known in the Chinese Communist Government. Our Station in Stockholm judges this to be a crank letter. The original letter is being sent here for analysis."

11 December 1963 TDCSDB-3/658,408 Subject: Comments of Soviet Official regarding I. Moscow Views on International Situation following Death of President Kennedy; 2. Resumption of Disarmament Talks.

"The Soviet official was recently on a trip home and returned from Moscow

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to Geneva about the end of November. When source, who has previously discussed political topics with him, asked about the reaction in Moscow to the death of President Kennedy the Soviet official immediately launched into lengthy commentary. It may be that subsorce's ready responses and apparent spontaneity resulted from a repetition of widely held views. However, considering his position it seems more likely that his comments were intended for western consumption."

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12 December 1963 CSCI-3/779,048 Subject: WILSON, Carlos John with aliases.

Compilation of information from Agency files regarding Carlos John WILSON also known as John WILSON-HUDSON and John Hudson WILSON.

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12 December 1963 DIR 88643

Subject: Assassination of President Kennedy
Allegedly Part of Plot against all Democratic
Presidents.

"1. An undated letter, sent to U.S. Ambassador Raymon TELLES, U.S. Embassy, San Jose, Costa Rica, refers to the assassination of President Kennedy as part of a general plan to exterminate all the presidents of the democratic world. The writer of the letter, 'Rodrigo C.', identifies himself as a Costa Rican of Marxist-Leninist ideals, whose assignment is the assassination of President ORLICH of Costa Rica and Foreign Minister ODUBER of Costa Rica. The envelope in which the letter arrived is postmarked 28 November 1963, from Heredia, Costa Rica. The letter is believed to be the work of a crank."

16 December 1963 CSCI-3/779,135 Subject: Peter DERYABIN's Comments on the
Kennedy Assassination.

"1. Attached for your perusal are the written comments of KGB defector Peter DERYABIN on some aspects of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. As you know, DERYABIN defected from the KGB about ten years ago, and his personal knowledge is not up to date, but he has stayed in touch with Soviet intelligence developments to the best of his ability. His comments on how Lee OSWALD and his wife must have been handled by Soviet intelligence authorities while they were inside the Soviet Union are par-

