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1 April 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversation with David W. BELIN, 1 April 1975

Q: What was the line of reporting in CIA during the period I served as working level point-of-contact with the Warren Commission Staff?

A: It was a multiple leveled thing: (a) from the Commission and AWD personally via McCone to Dick Helms; (b) from Helms to the two or three components primarily concerned (SE, then SB, Dave Murphy; LA, then WH; and CI). In practice the substantive SB input worked up by one of its research components headed by Lee Wigren--Minsk photo for example, et al--passed via CI. CI had own defector input. In addition, on sensitive matters of concern to the investigation, Dick Helms and Murphy also dealt directly with the Commission.

What were these sensitive matters?

Q: Did you hear: ? ? [two crypts, one sounded by "Jackenet" ?]. I had not. Belin recalled that Castro had made a speech in which he had charged assassination intent by emigres and had promised retribution in kind if there was official support.

*Re Helms?
Mongson?
9/4/75?*

Q: Had any thought been given to the assumption that an anti-Castro assassination plot might have been underway, and fact it was known to Helms and to Castro? [Mr. Belin said he now knew that Helms was, in fact, aware of something underway regarding Castro. He had no evidence to show that I (RGR) had been informed about it.] Would that change any of the thinking re Oswald's Mexican trip and contacts?

A: Yes, I said, though I intended to give more potential importance to Oswald's KGB contacts and related that I and others--though recognizing the wisdom of the Warren Commission's handling--had felt there had been more to the Soviet aspect that should have been pursued:

a. Fact that his two Soviet consular contacts in Mexico City had been identified as KGB and at least one (both ?) had been traced organizationally to the 13th Department (assassinations).

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SUBJECT: Conversation with David W. BELIN, 1 April 1975

b. Our defector information strongly insists that all Western military defectors--like Oswald--were screened by the 13th Department.

c. Thinness of file turned over by Soviets in view of b.

I acknowledged in retrospect that Cuban hypothesis was worth reconsidering, though it would appear that period of solid inter-service (KGB-UGI) relations began later (i.e. after 1967-68, Venceremos, etc.).

Q: Why did Oswald's lies include a denial to Dallas police that he had made the Mexican trip unless there was something important to hide about it? All his other lies concerned key factual elements of his cover story. Why also did Marina deny she knew anything about the Mexican trip in her first story to the FBI--which she later rectified before the Warren Commission? Mr. Belin noted that he had left the hypothesis of Castro/Cuban involvement open in his book. He added that it would have been important to have known the facts about the anti-Castro plot at the time of the Warren Commission investigation. He felt the least he would have done would have been to have insisted on the polygraphing of Marina Oswald regarding her knowledge of Oswald's Mexican trip.

R. Rocca
Raymond G. Rocca

Counter Intelligence Operations

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XPAZ - 27161

Chronology of RGR Meetings with Members of the
Warren Commission

14 January 1964	RANKIN, WILLINS
12 March 1964	RANKIN
27 March 1964	WILLINS ET AL (LIEBLER) **
26 May 1964	"LIEBLAND" re DeMohrenschild
28 August 1964 *	"Commission" (Stawson) ?
12 October 1964	"Commission" (Stawson Stawson or Goldberg) ?

*Believe Mr. Rocca was at the Commission at least one other day
(probably Saturday, the 29th) reviewing proofs.

negative. calendar etc. 12/6

xx This was a formal briefing on the handling, working records etc. STANLEY A. STERN was with WILLIAMS on this visit & maybe Hagg.

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5 MAY 1964

Subject- General: Debriefing of [redacted] REFUGEE reactions
Specific: OSWALD CASE to CIA Kennedy assassination

THE SOURCE DOES NOT HAVE DIRECT KNOWLEDGE OF LEE HARVEY OSWALD OR HIS ACTIVITIES BUT WAS ABLE TO PROVIDE ITEMS OF INTEREST BASED ON COMMENTS OF CUBAN INTELLIGENCE OFFICERS ASSIGNED TO THE DIRECCION GENERAL DE INTELIGENCIA, OF WHICH THE SOURCE HIMSELF WAS A STAFF OFFICER. THE INFORMATION APPEARING BELOW WAS FURNISHED BY THE SOURCE AND IS KEYED TO QUESTIONS SUBMITTED BY KUDSK.

1. Prior to October 1963, OSWALD visited the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City on two or three occasions. Before, during and after these visits, OSWALD was in contact with the DIRECCION GENERAL DE INTELIGENCIA (DGI), specifically with Luisa CALDERON, Mamuel VEGA Perez and Rogelio RODRIGUEZ Lopez.

VEGA whose Cuban intelligence pseudonym is MARCOS is the current Cuban IS chief in Mexico. He recently has had a tour of duty in Habana, prior to which he held the same post as now as Cuban IS chief in Mexico.

RODRIGUEZ is a Cuban IS staff officer in Mexico. He has three Cuban intelligence pseudonyms, Eduardo, Castalro and Jose Antonio.

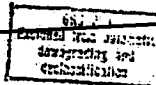
The precise relationship of Luisa CALDERON to the DGI is not clear. She spent about six months in Mexico from which she returned to Cuba early in 1964.

COMMENT: WH/SA/CI has the following references concerning Luisa CALDERON Carralero: She was assigned to the commercial office of the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City, and she had arrived in Mexico on 16 January 1963 and on 11 December 1963 made a reservation to return to Cuba on Cubana Airlines "MEXI 737L, 13 December 1963 IN-3035L, HEM-8153." She left Mexico City for Havana on 15 December 1963 using passport E/63/7 "MEXI 7423, 17 December 1963, EI-32592. Another reference "HMA-2097L, 25 March 1963," said that her date of arrival in Mexico was 19 January 1963 and that she had replaced Rosario VAQUEZ, a Mexican secretary in the commercial office. Other references apparently concerning the subject are HMA-6913 and MEXI 3205 EI-5659L dated 25 January 1963 which do not appear to add anything of interest to that given above.

2. The source does not know whether or not the Cuban Services used OSWALD in any agent capacity or other manner.

3. A. When news of the assassination of President Kennedy reached the DGI, it caused much comment concerning the fact OSWALD had been in the Cuban

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Embassy in Mexico. In addition, orders were issued for all headquarters and field officers of the DGI to sort and package all documents according to whether they were "Muy secreto" (very secret), "Secreto" (secret), and "importante" (important). The material once packaged was to be held pending further instructions. In addition, all travel by DGI officers and all DGI pouches were suspended temporarily.

B. When the news that OSWALD was the assassin reached the DGI, there was no immediate comment but, when Fidel CASTRO spoke on television to deny Cuban involvement, there was considerable comment concerning OSWALD's visit to the Cuban Embassy in Mexico. At this time VAGA, who has been mentioned previously, was in Cuba and commented to a group of DGI staff officers that OSWALD had come to the Cuban Embassy in Mexico to request a visa but had been refused. VAGA did not give any details and the subject was not pursued.

4. It is not known whether information on OSWALD's visit to the Cuban Consulate in Mexico in September 1963 was relayed to any Cuban service.

5. It is not known if the Cuban intelligence services had contact with the New Orleans' Fair Play for Cuba Committee.

6. The only Molina who is recalled is "The Hook", the Cuban who was convicted in New York City for the murder of a young girl during a clash between two Cuban groups. The DGI staff officer who had been in the United Nations in New York, SANTIESTARAN traveled to Cuba with "The Hook" and with another Cuban named CRIBIELA and upon arrival in Cuba tried to obtain employment for both individuals. The names Pedro Charles and Peter have no known significance.

7. The reaction of Soviet officials in contact with the Cuban intelligence services is not known.

8. Nothing is known about Soviet proposals following the news of President Kennedy's assassination.

? -> 9. The only fabrication known is the special matter by Fidel CASTRO previously mentioned.

10. Nothing is known about Jack RUDENSTEIN aka Jack RUIY.

11. The name Gilberto LOPEZ is not familiar but, if he visited DGI headquarters, a photograph of him possibly could be identified.

12. OSWALD's photo was seen in the newspapers but nothing is known about him other than what appeared in the press.

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Proposed Questions on Oswald Case

1. Was Lee Harvey OSWALD known to the Cuban intelligence services before 23 November 1963? If so which service?
2. Were the Cuban services using OSWALD in any agent capacity, or in any other manner, before 23 November 1963?
3. What was the reaction of the Cuban intelligence services to news of President Kennedy's assassination? To the news that OSWALD was the assassin?
4. Was information on OSWALD's visit to the Cuban Consulate in Mexico City in September 1963, relayed to any Cuban service? If so, what action was taken?
5. Was there any contact between the Cuban intelligence services and the New Orleans' Fair Play For Cuba Committee?
6. Has subject ever heard of Mario del ROSARIO Molina, or Pedro Charles known also as "Peter"?
7. How did the Soviet officials in contact with the Cuban intelligence services react to news of the assassination?
8. Did the Soviets propose any type of action or investigation to the Cuban intelligence services following the news of President Kennedy's assassination?
9. Was any provocative material deliberately fabricated by the Cuban services or others and sent to the United States to confuse the investigation of the OSWALD case?
10. Was Jack RUBENSTEIN aka Jack RUBY known to the Cuban intelligence services? If so, in what way?
11. Does subject know a Gilberto LOPEZ who entered Mexico on November 23, 1963 at Nuevo Laredo, Texas and four days later proceeded to Havana by special plane. He was 23 years old and carried a U.S. passport. He also had a Mexican tourist permit. Develop all information you can on this individual.
12. Attached is a photograph of OSWALD, and a letter from Havana which is self-explanatory for guidance of the case officer. Under no circumstances should the contents of the letter be made known to the subject. This information came from the Secret Service and FBI.

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XAAZ-27213
11 May 1964

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Plans

SUBJECT: o AMMUG/1 Information on
Lee Harvey OSWALD

1. This memorandum is for information and for action. The proposed lines of action are indicated in paragraph 4.

2. AMMUG/1, the Cuban Intelligence Service defector, has produced information of interest to the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy. CI Staff learned of AMMUG/1 on 30 April. A questionnaire was submitted by the Staff on 1 May (Attachment A). Mr. Swenson, who is handling the AMMUG/1 debriefing, provided a reply on 5 May (Attachment B). It was clear from Mr. Swenson's summary that AMMUG/1 had information bearing on the OSWALD relationship with the Cuban Embassy and Cuban intelligence personnel in Mexico City, albeit his knowledge was not that of a direct participant in matters affecting OSWALD. A follow-up questionnaire was submitted to AMMUG/1 on 6 May (Attachment C). Mr. Swenson's reply was dated 8 May (Attachment D). Attention is directed particularly to the content of paragraph two of Attachment D.

3. We have the problem of reconciling the operational exploitation of AMMUG/1 and satisfying the responsibilities we have undertaken with Mr. Rankin. AMMUG/1 is such an operational gold mine that Mr. Swenson wants, at a maximum, two months to work fully. It is palpable, however, that we must furnish to the Commission the substance of AMMUG/1's

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information on OSWALD before that. On the previous record of our association with the Commission, particularly with Mr. Rankin, it seems possible for the Agency to work out an arrangement with Mr. Rankin personally that would take care of their needs and ours after a frank discussion of the equities.

4. It is recommended that the DDP in person or via a designee, preferably the former, discuss the AMMUG/1 situation on a very restricted basis with Mr. Rankin at his earliest convenience either at the Agency or at the Commission headquarters. Until this takes place, it is not desirable to put anything in writing.

Raymond G. Rocca
Chief, CI Research and Analysis

Attachments

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6 May 1964

Proposed Questions on Oswald Case

REFERENCE: Debriefing of AMTC-1, dated 5 May 1964

1. The source says that prior to October 1963, Oswald visited the Cuban Embassy in Mexico City on two or three occasions. It is public knowledge he was in Mexico during the period 9-25-63 to 10-3-63.

A) When did source learn of these visits - before or after the assassination? Please describe in detail the circumstances under which source learned this information and identities of the persons involved.

B) Did these visits take place during the aforementioned period or is the source referring to previous visits. If the latter, try to get more specific details regarding these trips and the origin of the source's information.

2. The source states that before, during, and after these visits Oswald was in contact with the DGL, specifically Luisa CALDERON, Manuel VEGA Perez and Rogelio RODRIGUEZ Lopez. This would appear to mean that one or more contacts were made after Oswald returned to the United States i. e., between 10-3-63 and 11-22-63.

A) What does source mean by contact?

B) Can he break down these contacts by the specific individual named, place and type of contact, and date of occurrence?

C) Did Oswald know or have reason to suspect the intelligence connections of these persons?

D) What was the purpose of these contacts?

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