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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan *WCS 11-246*

DATE: 11/23/63

FROM : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr. *[Signature]*

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
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- Tolson
- Belmont
- Mohr
- Casper
- Callahan
- Conrad
- DeLoach
- Evans
- Gale
- Rosen
- Sullivan
- Tavel
- Trotter
- Tele. Room
- Holmes
- Gandy

The following information was furnished to the Liaison Agent on 11/23/63, by Pete Bagley, CIA. *USSR*

Bagley made reference to information previously disseminated to the Bureau by CIA indicating that on 10/18/63, Oswald had contacted Valeriy Vladimirovich Kostikov, Soviet Embassy, Mexico City, on 9/28/63. At that time, Oswald inquired if there had been any response from Washington, D. C., concerning a request which he apparently had made. He again contacted the Soviet Embassy on 10/1/63, concerning the same matter. CIA developed this information through a technical surveillance of the Soviet Embassy. *DEF*

Bagley stated that he wished to point out that Kostikov, known KGB agent, is the same individual who has been in touch with the Bureau double agent in the case referred to as TUMBLEWEED. (This case relates to a double agent, [redacted] who is being operated by us against the Soviets. He has had contact with the Soviets in Mexico City. Bagley pointed out that Kostikov has been tentatively identified with the Thirteenth Department of the KGB, which handles Sabotage and assassinations.) *R*

With regard to his contacts with the Soviets, we knew, through a sensitive informant, on 11/18/63, that Lee Harvey Oswald had been in contact with the Soviet Embassy, Washington, D. C., at which time he related he had recently met with "Comrad Kostin," Soviet Embassy, Mexico City. Oswald indicated to the Soviet Embassy, Washington, D. C., that he was unable to remain in Mexico because of Mexican visa restriction of 15 days and that he could not request a new visa unless he used his real name. The same informant indicated that Oswald originally had intended to visit the Soviet Embassy in Havana, Cuba, where he would have had time to "complete his business" but could not reach Cuba. *Mexico USSR*

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 - 1 - Mr. Rosen
 - 1 - Mr. Sullivan
 - 1 - Mr. Branigan
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 - 1 - Mr. Rogge
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- Mr. Papich*

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