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INVESTIGATION INTERVIEW SCHEDULE

1. Identifying Information:

Name Emmett Barbe, Jr.
Address 3417 Lyndel Drive
City/State Chalmette, La.
Date of Birth 10/3/35
Social Security JFK Act 6 (3)

Date May 5, 1978
Place
Telephone 504 279 3715
M or S
Spouse
Children

2. Physical Description:

Height 6' 1"
Weight 225 lbs.
Ethnic Group Caucasian

Color Eyes blue Hair brown
Special Characteristics

3. Personal History:

a. Present Employment:
Address
Telephone

b. Criminal Record
1. Arrests
2. Convictions

4. Additional Personal Information:

a. Relative(s): Name
Address

b. Area frequented:

c. Remarks:

Investigator Robert T. Buras
Robert Buras
Date

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SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS

NAME Emmett Barbe, Jr. Date 5/5/78 Time

Address 3417 Lyndel Drive Place Via telephone

Chalmette, La. Tel: 504 279 3715

Interview: In accordance with the request of Team #1 and relative to their "Motive Issue," specific questions were asked of Mr. Barbe. (Subject was previously interviewed 2/14/78)

Question 1: Have Barbe describe in as much detail as possible the context of his conversation with Oswald, and Oswald's responses and statements.

Answer: The conversations that Mr. Barbe can remember were very brief and occurred over a two-week period. Oswald's exact words are hard to remember, but his personality and behavior seemed very immatur and quiet.

Question 2: Who usually initiated the contacts of Oswald?

Answer: Mr. Barbe in no idle conversation.

Question 3: Did most of their conversations center on politics or other topics?

Answer: Other topics or non applicable for lack of conversation Mr. Charles LeBlanc would probably be the man that Lee Harvey Oswald talked to the most often, if anyone, in Mr. Barbe's opinion.

Question 4: Did Oswald ever write anything during this period and does Barbe know the contents of Oswald's writings?

Interviewer Robert Buras
(Signature)

Robert Buras
(Typed)

Date Transcribed May 9, 1978

(Ross)

Answer: Lee Harvey Oswald had to enter his work schedule into a spiral notebook called "An Oiler's Log." Mr. Barbe stated that this log was written different from the other oilers. Oswald, in Barbe's opinion, was either trying to determine if anyone read the log or was trying to glorify his job. The notebook contained entries such as "changed master tapes," "checked millimeters of machine," or words to that effect. These books were given to the FBI and they had Mr. Barbe initial the pages with Lee Harvey Oswald's writing. Mr. Barbe believes that only the pages with Lee Harvey Oswald's writing were taken by the FBI.

Question 5: Did Oswald ever express any views on the following:

American leaders

Answer: No

Foreign leaders

Answer: No

Capitalism

Answer: No.

Communism

Answer: No.

Cuba

Answer: No.

Soviet Union

Answer: No.

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Political assassination or action

Answer: No.

Question 6: Did Oswald say that he had been in the Soviet Union or other countries while in the military?

Answer: No.

Question 7: Did any major political events occur during their association and did Oswald express any views on those events?

Answer: No.

Question 8: Did Oswald say if his views were based on reading, observation or his associates?

Answer: No.

Question 9: Did Oswald say if he had participated in any political activity. Did he discuss the politics of any New Orleans group?

Answer: No.

Oswald's associates and activities:

Question 1: When did Barbe's association with Oswald begin and what was the last contact?

Answer: His association began approximately two weeks before he left the employment of Reilly Coffee Company, and ended two weeks later when his employment was terminated.

Question 2: With whom did Oswald associate at the William Reilly Coffee Company?

Answer: Unknown. If anyone.

Question 3: Did Barbe know any of those associates to be involved in any political activity?

Answer: No.

Question 4: What did Barbe ever observe Oswald reading?

Answer: Nothing.

Question 5: Did Barbe ever know Oswald to participate in any political activity?

Answer: No.

Question 6: With whom did Oswald associate away from work?

Answer: Unknown.

Question 7: Did Oswald attend any meetings or meet with groups away from work?

Answer: Unknown.

Question 8: Was the Reilly Company engaged in any political or government work?

Answer: Not to Mr. Barbee's knowledge.

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