

## OSWALD IN MEXICO CITY

### DATE

Friday

09/27/63

### ORIGINAL TRANSCRIPTS

10:37 a.m. Unidentified man to Soviet Embassy

4:05 p.m. Duran to Soviet Embassy.

4:26 p.m. Soviet Embassy to Duran.

### SECONDARY SOURCES

Nechiporenko, Oleg Maximovichm, Col., Passport to Assassination, Birch Lane Press, 1993.

Kelley, Clarence, The Story of an FBI Director, 1987.

Scott, Winston, The Foul Foe (Draft Manuscript), circa 1971.

CIA Report submitted to the Warren Commission entitled "Information Developed by CIA on the Activity of Lee Harvey Oswald in Mexico City 28 September - 3 October 1963," 01/31/64.

*Nechiporenko: Oswald arrives at Soviet Embassy at 12:30 p.m. Stays for about one hour. First speaks to Kostikov; requests visa to go to USSR; married Russian while living there; under constant surveillance by FBI; shows several documents. Speaks to Nechiporenko; repeats what he told Kostikov; becomes very agitated; refuses to say why he returned to US; told it will take four months for visa; Oswald says this will end in tragedy. End of visit. Kostikov then tells Nechiporenko that Sylvia Duran called later to verify that USSR had promised visa to Oswald. She was told no, it hadn't.*

*Kelley: (This author does not include specific dates in his description of Oswald's visit to Mexico City. However, Kelley does state that Oswald arrived in Mexico City on September 27 and that his first stop was the Soviet Embassy.) Here, Oswald informs the Russians that he would like to have Soviet visas for himself and his family so that they can travel to the USSR as soon as possible. The Embassy officials tell Oswald that processing such visas will take several months. (Kelley also states that Oswald spoke with Kostikov at the Soviet Embassy, but he does not specify the day. More than any other secondary source, Kelley emphasizes the importance of Kostikov, concentrating on Kostikov's identity as a dangerous KGB official.) In addition, Oswald confides to the Soviets and the Cubans that he has information on a CIA plot to assassinate Fidel Castro. Oswald promises that he will provide all of this highly classified information in exchange for Soviet and Cuban visas for his family and himself. (Kelley states that it is possible to assume that at the Soviet Embassy, Oswald offered to kill President Kennedy.)*

*With respect to the Cuban Embassy, Oswald presents the same story. However, here he "definitely" offers to kill President Kennedy. Solo, an FBI*

informant and a double-agent, meets with Castro after the assassination and verifies that Oswald had made this offer.

**Scott:** (Again, this author does not include specific dates in his description of Oswald's visit to Mexico City. However, Scott does state that Oswald arrived in Mexico City on September 27 and that his first stop was the Soviet Embassy.)

Here, Oswald gives his name very slowly and carefully, saying that the Soviet Embassy in Mexico should have received word from the Soviet Embassy in Washington that he would contact them about a visa for himself, his wife a Soviet citizen, and their child. They would use these visa, he says, to travel to the Crimea. (Without including the dates, Scott states that Oswald contacted the Soviet Embassy on at least four occasions, and once went directly from the office of Sylvia Duran to the Soviets. During the conversation with the Soviet official, Oswald said, "I was in the Cuban Embassy -- and they will not give me a transit visa through Cuba until after I have my Soviet visa.")

**CIA 01/31/64:** In mid-afternoon, Silvia Duran informs the Soviet Embassy that a male American citizen has requested a visa to transit Cuba on his way to the USSR. She asks with whom the American spoke at the Soviet Consulate. She also indicates that the Cuban Consulate can grant him the visa and arrange immigration details if the concession of a Soviet visa were assured. Silvia Duran receives confirmation from the Soviet Embassy that the American has been to the USSR installation. He showed them a letter from the Soviet Consulate in Washington indicating that he has been long awaiting a visa for himself and his wife to go to the USSR. The American also has a letter attesting that he is a member of pro-Cuban

organization, but he claims that the Cubans will not give him a visa unless he has already receives a Russian visa. Both the Cuban and Soviet officials contend that the American was not known.

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DATE

Saturday  
09/28/63

ORIGINAL TRANSCRIPTS

11:51 a.m. Duran to Soviet Embassy

SECONDARY SOURCES

*Nechiporenko:* Oswald arrives at Soviet Embassy shortly after 10:00. Speaks to Yatskov. Oswald drops hint that he was on a secret mission in the USSR. Oswald speaks in broken Russian. Oswald wants quick visa to USSR. He acts strangely and says that "they" are trying to kill him. He pulls out a revolver and places it on the desk. Soviets finally calm him down and he leaves. Before beginning their volleyball game, the Soviets send a cable to Moscow Central.

*Kelly:* (see 09/27/63)

*Scott:* (see 09/27/63)

*CIA 01/31/94: Silvia Duran is again visited at the Cuban Embassy by the American seeking a Cuban transit visa. Duran contacts at least two members of the Soviet Embassy and facilitates a direct conversation between one of the Soviets and the American. Conversing in poor Russian, the American states that he already has been to the Soviet Consulate and has left an address. The Soviet official replies that he is aware of that. The American suggests that he did not know his address then, and he has come to the Cuban Embassy to ask for the address because they have it. At the Soviet official's suggestion, the American says that he will stop by the Soviet Embassy and give them his address.*

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**DATE**

Sunday

09/29/63

**ORIGINAL TRANSCRIPTS**

**SECONDARY SOURCES**

Nechiporenko: NOTHING

Kelley: (see 09/27/63)

Scott: (see 09/27/63)

CIA 01/31/64: NOTHING

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DATE

Monday

09/30/63

ORIGINAL TRANSCRIPTS

SECONDARY SOURCES

Nechiporenko: NOTHING

Kelley: (see 09/27/63)

Scott: (see 09/27/63)

CIA 01/31/64: NOTHING

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DATE

Tuesday  
10/01/63

ORIGINAL TRANSCRIPTS

10:31 a.m. Unidentified man to Soviet Embassy.

10:45 a.m. Same unidentified man to Soviet Embassy.

SECONDARY SOURCES

Nechiporenko: NOTHING

Kelley: (see 09/27/63)

Scott: (see also 09/27/63)

CIA 01/31/64: In mid-morning an unidentified individual, speaking broken Russian, contacts the Soviet Military Attache. He says he has been to the Embassy the previous Saturday (28 September) and has talked with a Consul who said he would send a telegram to Washington. Oswald is referred to the Consulate for the information.

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DATE

Wednesday

10/02/63

ORIGINAL TRANSCRIPTS

SECONDARY SOURCES

*Nechiporenko: NOTHING*

*Kelley: (see 09/27/63)*

*Scott: At 8:30 a.m., Oswald boards Bus No. 340 of Transportes Fronteras for Laredo, Texas.*

*CIA 01/31/64: NOTHING*