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Honorable J. Lee Rankin

handwriting was found to correspond to the "Oswald" entry on line four of Q332, and the handwritten entries on lines eight and thirteen of Q332 did not produce any corresponding identifiable indented impressions on the top sheet of K74.

For the present, we intend to retain the original documents comprising Q332 and K74. As the indented writings on the present top sheet of K74 are difficult to photograph, you may desire a member of your staff to personally examine the original documents in question.

Sincerely yours,

LEE HARVEY OSWALD

A confidential source abroad advised as follows:

On March 31, 1964, GILBERTO LOZANO GUIZAR, Manager of the Mexico City terminal of the Transportes Frontera Lys Company, Buenavista Street No. 7, Mexico, D. F., Mexico, emphatically advised that the original passenger list or manifest relating to departure No. 2, bus No. 340, on October 2, 1963, of the Transportes Frontera Bus Company, is an authentic record of data pertaining to that particular trip. It is noted that further details concerning the above-described passenger list or manifest were contained in a memorandum dated March 12, 1964.

LOZANO pointed out that a passenger list is compiled at the Mexico City terminal of the company for trips originating in Mexico City and that, after the departure of the bus, information relating to this trip, that is, the number of passengers destined to particular points, is radioed ahead to one of their main offices located along the point of travel. In the case of the above-described trip, the information, according to LOZANO, was reported by radio to their Monterrey, Mexico, office. LOZANO advised that, once the information is relayed ahead and the trip is completed, for all practical purposes they have no further need of conserving the passenger lists as a permanent record.

He advised that the passenger lists for all their trips originating in Mexico City are recorded chronologically on a gummed block of forms maintained on a clip board at the ticket sales counter of the terminal in Mexico City. He stated the above-described manifest dated October 2, 1963, was handled in such a manner. He advised that, when the block of forms covering trips over a period of a month's time has been completely recorded, the block of forms will be replaced on the clip board by a new block of forms for

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the succeeding month and the old forms which contained the passenger lists for the preceding month will be set aside for discarding. He stated that there are times when the recorded block of forms containing the passenger lists is immediately discarded, and on other occasions there may be an accumulation of forms covering trips over a period of months prior to their being discarded. He stated that the company maintains no fixed policy with relation to the destruction of the forms.

He advised that officers of the Presidential Staff appeared at the bus terminal shortly after the assassination of President KENNEDY, seeking to review passenger lists of the bus company for early October, 1963, and it was found at that time that the completed block of forms for most of the month of October, 1963, which included the above-described passenger list, was still in the baggage room at the terminal prior to being discarded. He stated he had torn the October 2, 1963, manifest from the block of forms and furnished it to one of the officers. LOZANO advised that one Lieutenant ARTURO BOSCH, an officer with the Presidential Staff, reviewed the above-described manifest.

LOZANO advised that, upon further reflection, it is his opinion that ARTURO BOSCH had filled in the blanks in ink at the top of the form as to the time, destination, trip number, bus number, and date, including the crossing out of the date "November 1" and replacing it with the notation "October 2" which appeared on the above-described manifest. LOZANO stated BOSCH did so on the basis of information he and FRANCISCO ALVARADO, the ticket salesman at the Transportes Frontera bus terminal, had furnished BOSCH and as an aid to his investigation of the matter.

LOZANO also stated that the hand printed notation appearing at the bottom of the manifest, "Driver, DIONISIO REYNA, FCO. SAUCEDO," was also filled in by BOSCH.

LOZANO, commenting on the manifest in question, advised that there was definitely only one section of bus No. 340 which departed Mexico City at 1:00 p.m. on October 2, 1963, en route Monterrey, Mexico, and Nuevo Laredo, Mexico. He explained that the notation

"Departure No. 2" appearing on the top of the manifest and which he believed BOSCH had filled out merely indicates the second departure of a Transportes Frontera bus on that particular day, October 2, 1963. The first departure of one of their buses on that day from the Mexico City terminal occurred at 9:00 a.m., with the terminal point being Monterrey, Mexico. He stated that the second departure of a Transportes Frontera bus from the Mexico City terminal on October 2, 1963, was the departure at 1:00 p.m., with the terminal point being Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, and the passengers on this bus were reported on the above-mentioned manifest of October 2, 1963. He stated that there were three other departures on that day from their Mexico City terminal, the third departure having occurred at 2:30 p.m., with the terminal point being Matamoros, Tamaulipas, Mexico; the fourth departure having occurred at 9:00 p.m., with terminal point at Nuevo Laredo; and the fifth departure at 10:00 p.m., with terminal point being Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico. LOZANO advised that the only bus operating on their line which would have arrived at Nuevo Laredo between the hours of 12:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. on October 3, 1963, is bus No. 340, which departed from their Mexico City terminal at 1:00 p.m. on October 2, 1963.

LOZANO reiterated that he is of the firm opinion that the person designated as "BOSWLD" on the October 2, 1963, passenger manifest did not purchase a ticket and did not travel on that trip. He stated that it is his opinion that a reservation was made, but it was never used, and that their bus company has no further information which would shed any light on the matter.

A second confidential source abroad advised as follows:

On March 25, 1964, FRANCISCO ALVARADO, ticket salesman and dispatcher for the Transportes Frontera Bus Line at Mexico City, advised that the above-described manifest is an authentic document. He stated, as he had in the past, that he had prepared most of the handwriting which appears on the manifest. ALVARADO related that with

regard to the notations appearing at the top of the manifest as to the time, destination, trip number, bus number, and date, it is his opinion that those notations were filled in by one of the Presidential Staff investigators who had reviewed the manifest at the bus terminal shortly after President KENNEDY's assassination. He advised that the handprinted notation appearing at the bottom of the page of the manifest, "Driver, DIONISIO REYNA, FCO. SAUCEDO," was also in his opinion made by one of the Presidential Staff investigators, and he believed this person was Lieutenant ARTURO BOSCH. ALVARADO believed he had furnished this information to BOSCH.

On March 25, 1964, ALVARADO made available one block of forms of the Transportes Frontera Bus Line which contained passenger lists during most of the month of October, 1963. However, the passenger list for October 1, 1963, was not included in this block of forms. ALVARADO advised that he had made efforts to locate the manifest for October 1, 1963; however, he had been unsuccessful. He stated he would continue efforts to locate that manifest.

It is noted that the ticket numbers on the above-mentioned manifest of October 2, 1963, appear to be in sequence with manifests for subsequent trips which were located for the month of October, 1963.

On March 25, 1964, FRANCISCO SAUCEDO, bus driver for the Transportes Frontera Bus Company, advised in Mexico City that he had been one of the bus drivers who had driven the Transportes Frontera bus No. 340 on October 2, 1963, which departed Mexico City at 1:00 p.m. on that day en route to Monterrey and Nuevo Laredo. He stated that seats No. 1 and No. 3 on that bus had been reserved by him under tickets No. 39633 and No. 39634. However, he advised that he does not recall for whom he had made the reservations. He said that on occasion he reserves seats in advance for only friends or relatives and never does so for anyone with whom he is not acquainted. However, he could not recall which of his friends or relatives had utilized those seats on that particular day. He stated he was certain that seats No. 1 and No. 3 were not used by OSWALD or ANGEL PEREZ, whom SAUCEDO advised he does not know.

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On March 25, 1964, DIONISIO REYNA, who was co-driver with SAUCEDO on Transportes Frontera bus No. 340 of October 2, 1963, advised at Mexico City that he could furnish no information regarding the individuals who had utilized seats No. 1 and No. 3 on that trip. He added that he was quite certain that neither OSWALD nor ANGEL PEREZ did so. REYNA again stated that he was quite certain that OSWALD did not travel on that particular bus.

Information was received on March 24, 1964, that one J. M. DE CUBA and his wife, both of whom, according to Mexican Immigration records, departed Mexico at Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas, on October 3, 1963, and were checked out at Nuevo Laredo by the same Mexican Immigration Inspector who handled OSWALD's exit, stated they believed they had traveled to Nuevo Laredo on that occasion on a Transportes Frontera bus. Mr. DE CUBA, while disclaiming any knowledge of OSWALD, recalled that there was a young man he presumed to be an American who rode to Nuevo Laredo on the bus on which he and his wife had traveled. He advised that he could not identify the American passenger but recalled the individual had trouble making himself intelligible to the Mexican border officials.

On March 25, 1964, FRANCISCO SAUCEDO advised that he does not know the DE CUBAs and also was quite certain they had not utilized seats No. 1 and No. 3 on the above-mentioned trip.

A third confidential source abroad advised as follows:

On March 30, 1964, the records of the Transportes del Norte Bus Company, Avenida Insurgentes Sur No. 137, Mexico, D. F., were reviewed and a passenger manifest was located at that bus company listing two seats for J. M. DE CUBA and showing that J. M. DE CUBA had been a passenger on bus No. 332 of that company which departed Mexico City at 3:30 a.m. on October 2, 1963, and which had as its final destination Laredo. The above records located at the Transportes del Norte bus line indicated that J. M. DE CUBA and his wife actually traveled on a Transportes del Norte bus rather than on a Transportes Frontera bus.

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