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MALLEY AND ODUM OF THE FBI.

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20 July 1964

TO : Chief, CI/R&A  
FROM : CI/R&A/AEDooley  
SUBJECT : Lee Harvey OSWALD

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2. Mr. Liebeler also gave me an affidavit of Special Agent Bardwell Odum of the FBI. Attached is the cropped photograph shown to Mrs. Marguerite Oswald on November 23, 1963.

3. Mr. Liebeler desires an affidavit from CIA stating that the photograph used by the Commission was taken outside the United States. He would like the exact date given, if possible. I mentioned to him the extreme sensitivity of the source and how it could be compromised. He replied that if the matter is so delicate that the Commission should not use the photograph, it should be resolved at the Helms-Rankin level. I asked him whether the Commission could recall Mrs. Oswald and show her the picture originally exhibited to her by Special Agent Odum. He indicated that the Commission did not wish to have any further dealings with her and did not consider the matter of sufficient importance to take this step.

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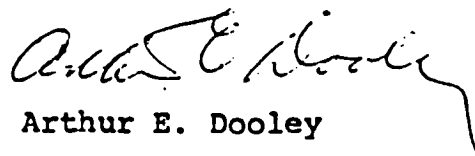
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6. Since this individual has nothing to do with the Oswald case, mention of him in the public record without adequate explanation, would still leave the questions: "Who is he?" and "How did he get involved?"

  
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AFFIDAVIT

CITY OF WASHINGTON )  
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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA )

I, James R. Malley, Inspector, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, being first duly sworn, depose as follows:

In accordance with a request by Mr. Howard P. Willens, a member of the staff of the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy, I transmitted to the Commission on February 11, 1964, a copy of a photograph of an unidentified man which was made available to the Federal Bureau of Investigation by the Central Intelligence Agency.

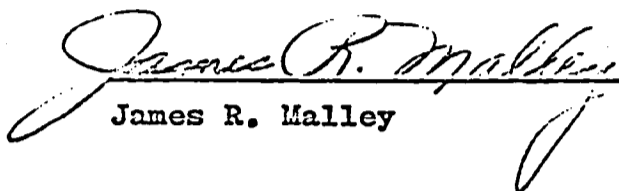
Prior to transmitting the aforementioned copy of this photograph to the President's Commission, I used a scissors and trimmed from the photograph all background which surrounded the head, shoulders and arms of the unidentified individual. I did this, inasmuch as the Central Intelligence Agency had previously advised that it had no objection to this Bureau furnishing a copy of this photograph to the President's Commission with all background eliminated.

I have examined a copy of Commission Exhibit 237, which is attached, and it appears such exhibit was made from the copy of the photograph of the unidentified individual which I cropped and transmitted to Mr. Willens on February 11, 1964.

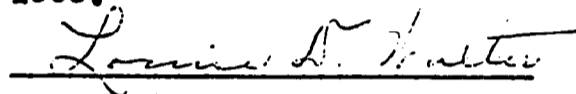
To my knowledge, the identity of the unknown individual depicted in the copy of the photograph which I transmitted to Mr. Willens on February 11, 1964, has not been established.

I have reviewed records of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in this particular matter and such records disclose that a duplicate copy of this same photograph was cropped in a different shape to remove background by Special Agent Bardwell D. Odum of the Dallas Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and was then exhibited to Mrs. Marguerite Oswald by Special Agent Odum on November 23, 1963.

Signed this 14th day of July, 1964, at Washington, District of Columbia.

  
James R. Malley

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 14th day of July, 1964. Louise D. Walter, Notary Public, District of Columbia. My commission expires August 14, 1968.

  
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Notary Public - District of Columbia  
Commission Expires August 14, 1968

A F F I D A V I T

I, Bardwell D. Odum, having first been duly sworn, depose as follows:

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On November 23, 1963, while acting officially in my capacity as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, I obtained a photograph of an unknown individual, furnished to the Federal Bureau of Investigation by the Central Intelligence Agency, and proceeded to the Executive Inn, a motel, at Dallas, Texas, where Marina Oswald was staying.

In view of the source of this picture, and, in order to remove all background data which might possibly have disclosed the location where the picture was taken, I trimmed off the background. The straight cuts made were more quickly done than a complete trimming of the silhouette and I considered them as effective for the desired purpose.

I desired to show this photograph to Marina Oswald in an attempt to identify the individual portrayed in the photograph and to determine if he was an associate of Lee Harvey Oswald.

It was raining and almost dark. I went to the door of Marina Oswald's room and knocked, identifying myself. Marguerite Oswald opened the door slightly and, upon being informed that I wished to speak to Marina Oswald, told me that Marina Oswald was completely exhausted and could not be interviewed. Marguerite Oswald did not admit me to the motel room. I told her I desired to show a photograph to Marina Oswald, and Marguerite Oswald again said that Marina was completely exhausted and could not be interviewed due to that fact. I then showed Marguerite Oswald the photograph in question. She looked at it briefly and stated that she had never seen this individual. I then departed the Executive Inn. The conversation with Marguerite Oswald and the exhibition of the photograph took place while I was standing outside the door to the room and Marguerite Oswald was standing inside with the door slightly ajar.

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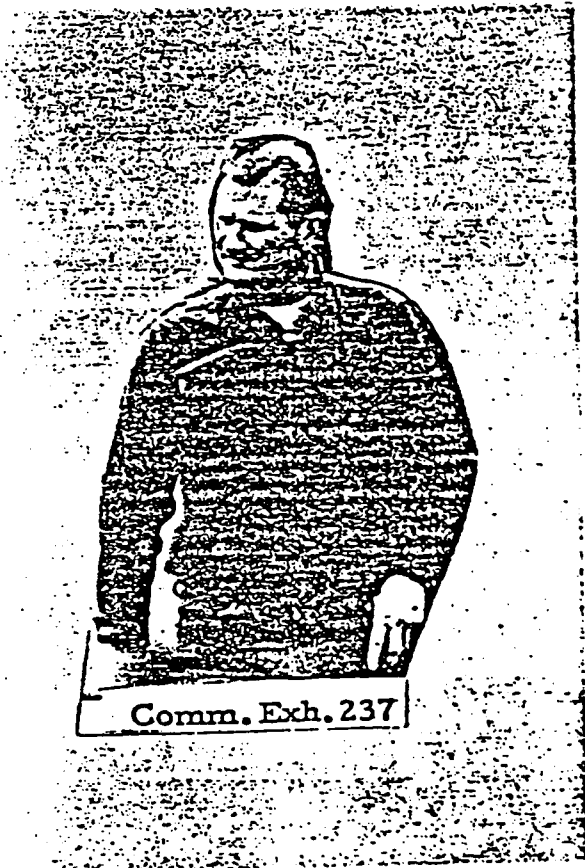
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[Signature]  
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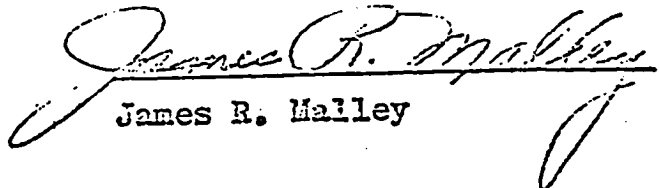
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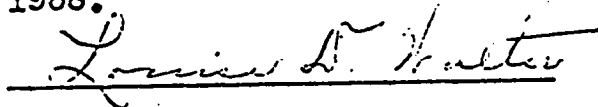


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