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AGENCY INFORMATION

AGENCY : FBI
RECORD NUMBER : 124-10023-10230
RECORDS SERIES : HQ
AGENCY FILE NUMBER : 105-82555-2087

DOCUMENT INFORMATION

ORIGINATOR : FBI
FROM : SULLIVAN, W. C.
TO : BELMONT, A. H.
TITLE : [No Title]
DATE : 01/30/1964
PAGES : 12
DOCUMENT TYPE : PAPER, TEXTUAL DOCUMENT
SUBJECTS : LHO, INFORMANT, ALLEGATIONS, INITIAL FBI RPT
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RESTRICTIONS : 4
CURRENT STATUS : RELEASED WITH DELETIONS
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Memorandum Mr. W. C. Sullivan
to Mr. A. H. Belmont
RE: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

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Absence of Payments to Oswald

Had any of our offices even made payments to him under the SAC's authority, these would have been shown in the receipts and vouchers submitted by each office. These records have been checked and double checked and no such payment was ever made.

Symbol Numbers Identifiable

Had Oswald been assigned a symbol number, this would be a matter of record not only by number but also by name. As a matter of fact, we can identify every symbol number used, past or present. The number 179 supposedly assigned Oswald is currently used by the Dallas Office for a criminal informant, Velma Yvonne Graham, a Negro madam who runs a house of prostitution. In New Orleans, where Oswald spent some time, the number 179 was used by the New Orleans Office back in 1941 to designate an informant, Joseph A. Partridge, who was reporting security information and who was discontinued in 1944. As previously noted, once a number is used in any capacity, whether to designate a security or a criminal informant, it cannot be used by the field office again. In Mexico, to which Oswald traveled just prior to the assassination of President Kennedy, our Legal Attache there currently has a security informant 179 who was so designated in 1960. He is Ignacio Olivo, who furnishes information on the Mexican-Russian Institute of Cultural Exchange in Morelia, Michoacan, Mexico.

Procedural Steps Never Taken

Furthermore, Oswald could not have been assigned such a symbol number without a prior background investigation by any field office considering him for development. Had any field office considered developing him, it would have had to obtain approval by the SOG. There is no record of any such request by any field office and no record of any such approval.