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Re: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

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As a result of the assassination of President KENNEDY. Miss OKUI also stated that, to the best of her recollection, Mr. ARONSON did not, at least not to her, express any displeasure over her discussion with LEE HARVEY OSWALD, and she stated she feels certain he would have mentioned it had that been true.

Nichio Kushi, 57-77 126th Street, Queens, New York, was contacted by a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on May 12, 1964 at the offices of the Nippon Service, Inc., 13 West 46th Street, New York City. Mr. Kushi is the President of this company.

He said he is acquainted with Miss Yaeo Ogui and that she is a young, attractive lady who resides in Dallas, Texas. She is a native of Japan and is a charming person possessing above-average intelligence. He described her as a person who has many friends and acquaintances and one who has an engaging personality.

To the best of his knowledge, Miss Ogui arrived in the United States from Japan in the spring or summer of 1959. She moved to Dallas, Texas and was employed by an unknown firm in Dallas for approximately two years.

Kushi advised that he was formerly a Vice-President of the Takashimaya Department Store, 571 5th Avenue, New York City, which is Japan's largest department store chain. The Nippon Service, Inc. represents several Japanese firms in the United States and his representatives contact numerous firms throughout the United States. He wanted to explain the above since it was in this connection he met Miss Ogui. In the summer of 1961 he traveled to Dallas on business and he met Miss Ogui while contacting firms. He offered employment to her and in the summer of 1961 she came to New York City. She was employed by the Nippon Service, Inc. but assigned to the Takashimaya Department Store for sales training. She worked until the summer of 1962 when she returned to Dallas to serve in the public relations field for his firm. She was required to contact firms in the Southwest with whom his company had business relations. Miss Ogui contacted him about two weeks ago and telephonically advised she was returning to Japan around the last part of May, 1964.

He advised he is not aware that Miss Ogui attended a party in December 1962 which was also attended by Lee Harvey Oswald and his wife, Marina. He said he is not closely associated with



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Miss Okui but he feels sure she would not have had an opportunity to meet Oswald in her business contacts. This party evidently was a social affair and not in relation to her business contacts. He felt sure she is not in a position to discuss politics in the United States, and based upon his association with her, she would not enter into any discussion of politics.

He pointed out Miss Okui is a professional flower arrangement teacher and is quite proficient in Kato music. She engages in teaching and has held lectures in regard to the same in the Southwest, but he would doubt she ever met Oswald through these lectures.

He has no basis for his statement but stated Miss Okui probably met Oswald once and only once and probably did not even recall him.

He has no record of Okui's employment to the best of his knowledge, but while in New York City she resided with Mrs. Kazuko Ogura, an accomplished flower arranger in New York City.

The following investigation supplements that contained in a memorandum of this agency dated May 6, 1964, relating to Miss YAEKO OKUI, who was in attendance at a year-end combination Christmas - New Year's Party, December 23 - 30, 1962, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. DECLAN P. FORD at 14057 Brookcrest Drive, Dallas, Texas, at which party MARINA and LEE HARVEY OSWALD were also in attendance.

On May 18, 1964, GERARDO WEINSTEIN, President, Schwabach Perutz and Company, Room 1610, Cotton Exchange Building, 608 North St. Paul, Dallas, Texas, was interviewed at his offices regarding the employment of Miss YAEKO OKUI in the spring of 1959.

WEINSTEIN advised that his firm deals in the purchase, sale, and exchange of cotton throughout the world, principally in the Orient, and that his company is represented in Japan by Ozawa and Company, a brokerage firm located in Osaka, Japan. He advised that in the spring of 1959 he desired to employ a Japanese girl as governess for his children and discussed this matter at length with Mr. GEORGE PERUTZ, a member of the board of Schwabach Perutz and Company, and that Mr. PERUTZ advised him at that time that his wife, Mrs. PERUTZ, was acquainted with a well-educated, English-speaking Japanese girl residing at that time on Awaji Island located about ten miles off the coast of Kobi, Japan. WEINSTEIN stated Mrs. PERUTZ accordingly contacted this Japanese girl, whom he now knows to be Miss YAEKO OKUI, and inquired of her availability for a position in the United States as governess for Mr. WEINSTEIN's children. WEINSTEIN stated Miss OKUI answered Mrs. PERUTZ's inquiry by

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