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Date _ 11/27/63	1 — Commission Exhibit No. 1894 — Dete 11/23/63
<u>1</u>	Sommission Extrato No. 1094
Mr. LYNN COBENA, Managor, Commercial Employment Agency, 1001 National Bank of Commerce Building, was inter- viewed and made available an application with his agency made by LEE HARVEY OSWALD on May 7, 1963. The application reflected he had been employed from 1962 to 1963 at 18ggers-Chiles-Stoval on 522 Browder Street, D llas, Texas as a photographer and was laid off because of a cut in the night shift. He was applying for a position as a photographer and gave the following description of his duties with his former employer: Development of films on standard commercial modification camera, use of lens, enlargers, etc.; setting up and shooting of "live" and "perspective" photo shots as well as modification shots. In checking his incoming log sheet for May 7, 1963, COBENA advised that OSWALD had been in his office twice that day. The reason for the second visit was not indicated. COBENA stated the interviewer who talked to OSWALD was Mr. DON PECOT, who is no longer employed by the agency. He furnished PECOT's last known address as 1200 Lowerline Avenue, New Orleans, Louislana. The application also indicates OSWALD was referred to Darrell DeMoss Company in New Orleans; however, there is no indication on the ap- plication as to the results of OSWALD's interview at that company.	Mr. WILLIAM I, MONACHAN, Vice President - Finance, William B. Reily and Co., Inc., 640 Hagazine Street, advised that records of his company reflect that LEE HAWLY OSWALD was employed by that company from May 10, 1963, until July 19, 1963, as an oiler - machinist assistant in the coffee plant at 640 Magazine Street. He explained that OSWALD's duties were routine, that he tended to and greased fittings in the machines. He advised that OSWALD's Experior, EMMETT BARBE, reported that OSWALD wandered off the Job and would not be available when needed. For this reason, OSWALD's employment was terminated on July 19, 1963, for inefficiency. Mr. MONACHAN furnished the original of an Application for Employment which he states was apparently filled out by OSWALD on May 9, 1963. He pointed out that this lists CCWALD's residence address as 757 French Street and his residence telephone as Hunter 8-4326. This application reflects OSWALD was born on October 18, 1939. The birth place is not reflected. The application reflects that GSWALD attended Beauregard Junior High School and Warren Eastern Senior High School, graduating in 1959. The application further reflects be was in the United States Marine Corps from 1959 - 1963 and was honorably discharged. He listed as personal character references the following:
COBENA made available both the application and the agency agreement which were signed by OSWALD on May 7, 1963. — Commission Exhibit No. 1893 —	JOHN MURRETT, Pharmacist, 757 French Street, telephone HUnter 8-4326 Sgt. ROBERT HIDELL, Active Duty, U.S.M.C. W. S. OSWALD, Retired, 136 Elmeer Street, VErnon 5-7869. (This name, occupation and address has a line drawn through it.)
	Lieut. (illegible, possibly T or J) EVANS, Active Duty, U.S.M.C. Mr. MONAGHAN also furnished a Xerox copy of a Character - Financial Report, dated May 16, 1963, on LEE HARVEY OSWALD, 757 French Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

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This report reflects the following:

"1. Lee Harvey Oswald is employed as a Maintenance Man for the Standard Coffee Company, and has been so engaged in this occupation for the past one week, and enjoys a favorable business reputation. Previous to this, he was in the U. S. Marines for some three years. He enjoys a favorable business reputation, and his prospects for the future appear to be favorable.

"FINANCES: His present and past financial standing is good, and he is regarded as an individual who lives within his means. Learned of no illiness or physical impairments that might affect his earning capacity.

"CHARACTER-HOME SURROUNDINGS: His character, habits, and Morals are good, and he is known to keep good associates, and well regarded. He resides with his wife, and child. They live in a middle class residential section with frame homes that are well kept, and living conditions are adequate. Stability and class of residencts in this section is good."

 ${\tt OSWALD}$ is employed as a maintenance man for the Standard Coffee Company.

In connection with the above, Mr. MONAGHAN pointed out that the Standard Coffee Company is the "house-to-house sales branch" of the William B. Reily and Co., Inc.

Mr. MONAGHAN also furnished Xerox copies of comployment reports filled out by LEE HARVEY OSWALD in connection with his regular duties. He explained that these are made out in long hand and printing by OSWALD and were filed with OSWALD's supervisor, Mr. EMMETC C. BARRE, JR. These are employment reports for OSWALD's

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activities of the following dates: Thursday, July 11; Friday, July 12; Monday, July 15; Tuesday, July 16; Wednesday, July 17; Thursday, July 18; and Friday, July 19.

Mr. MONAGHAN explained that the originals of these reports had been turned over to Mr. A. G. VIAL of the United States Secret Service on November 23, 1963, in connection with investigation being conducted by that agency.

Mr. MONAGHAN further furnished a Xerox copy of Employee's Withholding Exemption Certificate, Form W4, which was allegedly filled out by LEE H. OSWALD and reflects his Social Security Number to be 433-54-3937. It reflects OSWALD claimed withholding exemption as a married man with one additional dependent. This is dated May 16, 1963, and signed LEE H. OSWALD.

Mr. MONAGHAN advised that the original of this certificate was turned over to Mr. A. G. VIAL, United States Secret Service, New Orleans, Louisiana, on November 23, 1963, in connection with investigation being conducted by that agency.

Mr. MONAGHAN advised that OSWALD's immediate superior was EMMETT C. BARBE, JR., maintenance foreman. He stated that other employees who worked with OSWALD at the William B. Reily Co. were CHARLES JOSEPH LE BLANC, a maintenance man, and ATURO RODRIGUEZ, maintenance man.

Mr. MONAGHAN stated that he did not know OSWALD personally.

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