MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. J. Lea Rankin
General Counsel
President's Commission on the
Assassination of President Kennedy

SUBJECT: Technical Examination of Photographs
of Lee Harvey OSWALD’s Application
for a Cuban Visa

1. I refer to your request of 1 September 1964, that the
Central Intelligence Agency undertake a technical analysis of
photographed copies of Lee Harvey OSWALD’s application for
a Cuban visa, prepared by him in the Cuban Consulate in Mexico
City, and the reply from Havana conditionally rejecting OSWALD’s
application.

2. Qualified analysts of this Agency have examined and tested
these documents, and have made the following determinations;

a. The signature “Lee H. Oswald” affixed to the visa
application is the signature of Lee Harvey OSWALD.

b. The notation in the lower left corner of the visa appli-
cation form, which reads “Hotel del Comercio, Room 18-46-60-51”,
was probably written by Mrs. Silvia DURAN, an employee
of the Cuban Consulate. We are unable to make a definitive
statement on this handwriting because the notation is too faint
and the sample of Mrs. DURAN’s handwriting available for
comparison is inadequate for the purpose. It is possible to
state with confidence that the notation was not written by Lee
Harvey OSWALD.

Richard Helms
Deputy Director for Plans

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