17 September 1964

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

SUBJECT: Eusebio AZQUE - Former Cuban Consul, Mexico City

In reply to your verbal request, I forward information on Eusebio AZQUE, and views on his dealings with Lee Harvey OSWALD.

We surmise that the references in OSWALD's 9 November letter to a man who had since been replaced must refer to Cuban Consul Eusebio AZQUE, who left Mexico for Cuba on permanent transfer on 18 November 1963, four days before the assassination. AZQUE had been in Mexico for 18 years and it was known as early as September 1963 that AZQUE was to be replaced. His replacement did arrive in September. AZQUE was scheduled to leave in October but did not leave until 19 November.

We do not know who might have told OSWALD that AZQUE or any other Cuban had been or was to be replaced, but we speculate that Silvia Duran or some Soviet official might have mentioned it if OSWALD complained about AZQUE's alternation with him.

Richard Helms
Deputy Director for Plans

COMMISSION EXHIBIT No. 3126
c. The visa application supplied by the Cuban Government is, in fact, a reduced photographic copy of a photograph.

d. Under stereoscopic magnification it has been determined that the blurred passport number listed at the entry "Passport No." on the application form is B-092526.

e. No additional tests or analysis were deemed necessary.

3. I return herewith the photographs of the visa application and Cuban rejection of the same, which were furnished to this Agency by the Commission.

Richard Helms
Deputy Director for Plans

Doctor LEONARD REISSMAN, 4155 Wilkie Way, Palo Alto, California, advised that he had lived in New Orleans for approximately 12 years and had resided at 1121 Pine Street, New Orleans for five years. He said that he came to Palo Alto, California, to work at the Center for Advanced Study of Behavioral Sciences, Stanford University, at the end of July, 1963.

Doctor REISSMAN related that he cannot recall ever having known LEE HARVEY OSWALD. He said that he had studied OSWALD's photograph, having seen same in the newspapers and on television, and had discussed OSWALD with his (REISSMAN's) wife, and neither could recall ever having seen OSWALD.

Doctor REISSMAN said that he never knew of the existence of a Fair Play for Cuba Committee (FPCC) in New Orleans, and had never had any connection in any way with any so-called left-wing organizations. He remarked that he was familiar with the people residing on Pine Street in New Orleans, and it was inconceivable to him that meetings of the FPCC could have been held within a two-block area of his residence without him knowing about it. He pointed out that the people residing in that area were, in his estimation, extremely conservative in their political viewpoint, and he could think of no one who would allow an organization of that nature to hold meetings in his home.