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HAVANA VERIFIED OSWALD'S REQUEST FOR TRANSIT VISA FOR USSR

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[redacted] reported yesterday that the information in the newspaper Excelsior of Mexico City concerning LEE OSWALD's request for a transit visa to go to the USSR, which was requested from the Cuban Consulate in Merida, is true. This visa was requested 27 September from said consulate, which stated that it could not grant the visa without permission of [redacted], and unless permission had been granted previously by the country of destination. OSWALD gave up applying the consulate, and the visa was never granted.

This detail, and others, confirm the suspicion that the KENNEDY assassination was a provocation against world peace by the most reactionary sectors. It is evident that these sectors planned

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beforehand to involve Cuba and the USSR in the act. The inconceivable impunity of a person who, with a known police record could murder OSWALD in the presence of the police in a prison basement, demonstrates the scandalous means which reactionary forces are using in the United States to cover up the perpetrators and the motives for KENNEDY's assassination. World-wide public opinion demands a clarification of the facts. It is a scandal that the Dallas District Attorney is closing the case of the death of the President scarcely 48 hours after the deed.

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