MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL (MANPOWER)
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Subj: Information for President's Commission on the assassination of President Kennedy; your request for

Enc: (1) Mr. J. Lee Rankin's ltr of 19 May 1964 addressed to HOC re subj

1. In accordance with the request contained in your memorandum of 7 May 1964, the following is provided for your information concerning Lee Harvey OSWALD, relating to his service, while a member of the Marine Corps. In addition, this information is provided with a view toward your advising the President's Commission that it is also in response to Mr. J. Lee Rankin's letter of 19 May 1964 (enclosure (1)).

a. Description of Advanced or Formal Training which OSWALD received while a member of the Marine Corps

(1) OSWALD attended an Aviation Fundamental School, Naval Air Technical Training Center, Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Florida from 18 March 1957 to 3 May 1957. During this period, his course of instruction consisted essentially of the following:

(a) Security of Classified Matter
(b) USMC Organizations, Missions and Systems
(c) Navy Plotting Symbols and Lectures
(d) Practical Application of (c) above
(e) Basic Radar Theory
(f) Equipment and Safety Measures
(g) Communications
(h) Search and Rescue Procedures
(i) Air Traffic Control Procedures

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to handle confidential matter. Such action, following a
careful records check, was required in connection with
OSWALD's assignment to the Aviation Fundamental School,
Naval Air Technical Training Command and the Aircraft
Control and Warning Operations Course at Keesler Air Force
Base. As far as can be determined at this time, OSWALD
in all probability, had access to confidential matter
while a student at the aforementioned commands during
courses of instruction relating to Radar Jamming and
Identification - "Friend or Foe" procedures. Because of
his grade and lack of experience, he would not normally
have had access to classified matter in the performance
of his duties as an Aviation Electronics Operator follow-
ing completion of his training heretofore described.

There is no evidence contained in the personnel file
that OSWALD's security clearance was ever terminated, nor
is there evidence that he was granted access to any infor-
mation of higher than confidential characterization. It
was, however, the practice of the Marine Corps, that on
occasions where assignments, similar to OSWALD's, re-
quired a higher clearance than confidential in order to
perform specific, classified electronic duties, personnel
with clearances commensurate with the duties to be per-
formed were assigned thereto.

d. Stations and Units to which OSWALD was assigned
after his enlistment into the Marine Corps on 24 October
1956 at United States Naval Training Center, Bainbridge,
Georgia

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<td>26 Oct 1956 - 18 Jan 1957</td>
<td>2d Recruit Training Battalion, Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, California</td>
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<td>18 Mar 1957 - 3 May 1957</td>
<td>Marine Aviation Detachment, Naval Air Technical Training Command, Jacksonville, Florida</td>
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<td>4 May 1957 - 19 Jun 1957</td>
<td>Keesler Air Force Base, Biloxi, Mississippi</td>
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<td>9 Jul 1957 - 21 Aug 1957</td>
<td>4th Replacement Battalion, MARINE, Marine Corps Air Station, El Toro (Santa Ana), California</td>
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<td>22 Aug 1957 - 12 Sep 1957</td>
<td>Enroute from San Diego, California to Yokosuka, Japan aboard the USS BAKER</td>
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<td>12 Sep 1957 - 27 Oct 1957</td>
<td>MACS-1, MAG-II, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Atsugi, Japan</td>
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<td>27 Oct 1957 - 15 Nov 1957</td>
<td>U.S. Naval Hospital, Yokosuka, Japan</td>
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<td>16 Nov 1957 - 20 Nov 1957</td>
<td>MACS-1, MAG-II, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Atsugi, Japan</td>
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<td>20 Nov 1957 - 6 Mar 1958</td>
<td>Embarked aboard Terrell County, LST 1157 with MACS-1, MAG-II, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing at Yokosuka, Japan on 20 November 1957 for maneuvers. Arrived in Philippine Island area 20 November 1957</td>
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<td>18 Mar 1958 - 13 Sep 1958</td>
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Embarked aboard AKA 105 with HMC-1, MA-1, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing and sailed from Yokosuka, Japan on 14 September 1958 for South China Sea area. Was at Ping Tung, North Taiwan on 30 September 1958; returned to Atsugi, Japan on 5 October 1958.

In duty with Sub-Unit L, HMC-11, VMC-11, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing at Atsugi, Japan. (Sick at Atsugi Station Hospital from 7 October 1958 to 13 October 1958).


Casual Company, Department of the Pacific, Marine Barracks, U. S. Naval Station, Treasure Island, San Francisco, California, processing for leave and proceed time.

MAG-39, NHK, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Corps Air Station, El Toro (Santa Ana), California.

As indicated above, the units to which OSWALD was attached did not change their geographical location except as indicated.

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