MEMORANDUM FOR: Major Alan Ernst, Air Force Legal Officer

Headquarters USAF

Office of Judge Advocate General (JACM)

Washington, DC 20330

SUBJECT: Request for Affidavit Responsive to

Paul L. Hoch v. CIA CA 82-0754

FROM: Launie M. Ziebell, Chief, Litigation Division

Office of General Counsel Central Intelligence Agency

Washington, DC 20505

1. On 28 May 1982, you coordinated by telephone with Allie Falardeau, an information and privacy coordinator for our agency, on the release of a CIA document containing Air Force information. This document, number 1557-1114-B, was being processed for release in the Hoch litigation.

- 2. In response to the CIA'S Motion For Summary Judgment, the plaintiff filed three motions: a motion to stay; a motion for a supplemental Vaughn Index; and a Motion To Compel Defendant To Support Materials Referred To Other Agencies By Proper Affidavit. We are opposing the first two motions but not the third, wherein Mr. Hoch seeks affidavits from personnel in the agencies to which CIA documents containing information from those agencies were referred for consultation.
- 3. Accordingly, we are asking you to provide an affidavit justifying the withholding from document number 1557-1114-B of Air Force information on the basis of exemption (b)(6).
- 4. Laura Einstein, the Assistant U.S. Attorney handling this litigation undertook to assure the Court that appropriate affidavits from U.S. agencies concerning any information withheld would be submitted in approximately 30 days after the 7 January 1983 submission of our Opposition to Plaintiff's Motion to Stay. Miss Einstein can be reached on 724-6278.

Took Bulding. 550 IM St. N.W. Rm 933 D.C. 20530 5. Attached are 2 photostatic copies of document number 1557-1114-B. One copy is the document as it was sent to the plaintiff; the other shows in brackets the material you requested to be withheld.

6. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 351-5116.

Launie M. Ziebell

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assassinated not by pro-Communist Lee Harvey Oswald but rather as a result of a right-wing conspiracy involving CIA.

4. The surfacing of two such allegations in or through the Vancouver Sun seems to place a strain on coincidence. Do you have any information about the use of the Sun in other surfacings of propaganda against CIA? Is there any information about contacts between employees of the Sun and representatives of Soviet intelligence?

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