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ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL

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Mr. Harold Weisberg Route 12 Frederick, Maryland 21701

Dear Mr. Weisberg:

This is in response to your March 28, 1978 Freedom of Information Act request seeking any information contained in Department of Justice files concerning Lee Harvey Oswald and Yuri Nosenko that may have been used as a source reference in Edward Epstein's book "Legend: The Secret World of Lee Harvey Oswald." A copy of your request, initially sent to Quinlan J. Shea, Director, Office of Privacy and Information Appeals, was referred to the Freedom of Information/Privacy Act Unit of the Civil Rights Division for processing on April 28, 1978 since you mentioned in your letter that Stanley Pottinger, former Assistant Attorney General for the Civil Rights Division, was one of the sources referenced in Mr. Epstein's book.

Please be advised that after a thorough search of the Civil Rights Division filing system for records indexed under the names "Lee Harvey Oswald" and "Yuri Nosenko," we have uncovered only one document responsive to your request. The responsive document is an FBI report pertaining to Lee Harvey Oswald only. The Civil Rights Division did not locate any information pertaining to Yuri Nosenko.

Pursuant to Department of Justice Freedom of Information Act procedures, 28 C.F.R. §16.4(a), the Civil Rights Division has referred a copy of your request and the responsive FBI document to the Bureau, as the originating component, for review and final release determination. You will, therefore, receive a response directly from the Bureau regarding your request.

I hope that the Civil Rights Division has been of some assistance to you in this matter.

Sincerely,

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