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(CUBA AND JFK ASSASSINATION)

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- A RETIRED CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY OFFICIAL WHO HAS STARTED A CAMPAIGN TO DEFEND THE AGENCY SAYS HE AGREES WITH CUBAN PREMIER FIDEL CASTRO ON ONE THING: CUBA HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE JOHN KENNEDY ASSASSINATION.

DAVID PHILLIPS, WHO WAS WITH THE CIA FOR 24 YEARS, TOLD REPORTERS THAT CASTRO HAS RECENTLY DENIED CUBAN IMPLICATION IN THE ASSASSINATION.

"FOR THE FIRST TIME I AGREE WITH CASTRO," PHILLIPS SAID. THE VETERAN CIA OFFICIAL WAS ONCE STATIONED IN CUBA AND LATER HEADED THE BAY OF PIGS OPERATION. HE SAID THAT LEE HARVEY OSWALD WAS UNDOUBTEDLY THE SOLE KILLER.

PHILLIPS SAID BOTH THE CUBANS AND RUSSIANS "REGARDED OSWALD AS A KOOK AND DIDN'T WANT ANYTHING TO DO WITH HIM."

CEA CORRESPONDENT DANIEL SCHORR REPORTED DURING THE WEEKEND THAT AN OFFICER OF THE SOVIET SECRET POLICE WHO DEFECTED TO THE U.S. ONLY 10 WEEKS AFTER THE ASSASSINATION HAD SEEN THE SOVIET FILE ON OSWALD.

ACCORDING TO SCHORR, THE DEFECTOR, YURI IVANOVICH NOSENKO, TOLD THE WARREN COMMISSION INVESTIGATING THE ASSASSINATION AND THE FBI THAT THE SOVIETS WERE "SO LEERY OF OSWALD, WHO THEY CONSIDERED MENTALLY UNSTABLE AND POSSIBLY A 'SLEEPER' AMERICAN AGENT, THAT THEY TRIED TO GET HIM OUT OF THE COUNTRY AND VETOED HIS RETURN WHEN HE APPLIED IN MEXICO CITY IN SEPTEMBER, 1963."

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