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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF: DLIS-A

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Mr. Emory L. Brown, Jr. Box 82 Squankum Road Howell, New Jersey 07731

Dear Mr. Brown:

Your letter dated December 18, 1975 was received by this office on 28 January 1976. Delayed receipt was due to the address you provided on your certified letter (i.e., addressed specifically to Capt Kim A. Smallheer). Capt Smallheer was transferred from this installation on 12 December 1975 to Maxwell AFB, Montgomery, AL at which time he provided the Post Office with appropriate change of address cards. This caused your letter to be forwarded to his new command where it was held pending his arrival. order to preclude future incidents of this nature when corresponding with military installations please address inquiries to military titles only, when known, or to the post commander when specific point of contact is unknown.

In response to your Freedom of Information Act request that research be undertaken to ascertain if the late Lee Harvey Oswald, a former Marine Corps private, received foreign language instruction at an Army installation, the following information is provided:

a. A records check was conducted by a staff member of this command. The check did, in fact, require in excess of 12 hours research time. This research included a class-by-class, name-by-name check of all academic language grade records for the period of time that Mr. Oswald was reported to be in the Marine Corps. Since the Warren Report did not specify a language training location, this check included the academic records of the Defense Language Institute, East Coast Branch, Washington, D.C. (now closed); Defense Language Institute, South-West Branch, Ft. Bliss, Texas (now closed); and Defense Language Institute, West Coast Branch, Monterey, CA. Further, those aliases used by Mr. Oswald, as reported in the Warren Report, were also researched. No record of Lee Harvey Oswald having attended any of these schools was found.

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