

ment. In this connection, a canvass of the other Government agencies is being made to make certain that we have received any information available on Oswald and Ruby.

Rankin is interested in knowing whether any of the intelligence organizations of the military had taken any action relative to Lee Harvey Oswald before he went to Russia or since his return. Rankin was advised that the U. S. Marine Corps' file on Oswald had been obtained, had been reviewed and summarized in our investigative report. He was told that a check would be made, if it had not already been completed, to ascertain whether any action had been taken by any of the military intelligence services. A check has been instituted to obtain this information if any such action was ever taken.

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Mr. Rankin stated the Commission was very desirous of obtaining typewritten copies of information that had been included in our exhibits as handwriting of Oswald. He stated the Commission had experienced difficulty in reading his writing and would therefore appreciate typewritten copies. These copies have been prepared and will be made available to Mr. Rankin.

Mr. Rankin stated that for purposes of handling this investigation, the Commission had decided to handle it all on a top secret basis and that probably within the next few days they would have the names of some individuals concerning whom they would desire a check made. Mr. Rankin was advised that in the event he desired a name check on these individuals it could be handled in very short order but that if he had in mind a full investigation it would take considerable time. Rankin advised that no definite decision had been made on this at the present and he would be in touch with the Bureau later concerning this matter.

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