

February 6, 1964

Honorable J. Lee Rankin
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The President's Commission
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Dear Mr. Rankin:

Reference is made to page 217 of the report in the Lee Harvey Oswald case of Special Agent Robert Gemberling dated January 22, 1964, at Dallas, Texas, wherein are recorded the results of the interview of Colonel J. D. Wilmoth, U. S. Army (Retired).

Colonel Wilmoth was reported to have stated that he was a member of the U. S. military forces in Mexico for two years during World War II. We have been advised that the report of Colonel Wilmoth's interview should have recorded him as stating that he served as a member of the U. S. military forces in Moscow for two years during World War II. It would be appreciated if you would note the foregoing in connection with your review of the aforementioned report.

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Sincerely yours,

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NOTE: Dallas 2/1/64 airtel notes this necessary change. Believed advisable to inform Commission of this as they may question Wilmoth's reported claim to have been with the military in Mexico. Wilmoth is a Russian language teacher who heard of Mrs. Oswald and visited with her on 11/19/63 to discuss modern Russian language. He does not know Lee Oswald and has no intention of making further contact with Mrs. Oswald. The report shows that Wilmoth claimed he learned a great deal about the Russian language during his service in Mexico. We have had numerous allegations concerning Oswald's trip to Mexico and it is possible the Commission may read something into Wilmoth's claim to have served there. Explanations being obtained from DL by separate communication.

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