CIA- Consistion) Ossald 201 file

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#790-252 is Helm's response to Rankin's 2/12/64 request for "all information" the CIA had about Osmaid before 11/22/79. The date as written on as 3/6/64.

There can be avasiveness in Helm's response, which does not say it and what had been given to the Commission are all such information. Rather does he say that he provides "an exact reproduction of the Agency's official dessier on Oswald..."

He also refers to the CIA's mano to the Commission of 1/31/64. This does not appear to be in the records provided to me.

Attached is an inventory of 30 items cent. It is hand dated 3/6, but a typed note is added referring to a 3/4 inventory "attached for all but addresses." Rankin is the addresses. This means to say there was a different inventory, not provided, because there is no typed date on the attachement and the written in date is two days later. And it was given to Rankin.

It does not list a 201 file. It lists a request for one to be opened.

From other records I know the CIA gave the Consistion a copy of the 201 file. I do not know if it told the Commission that by then its 201 file had been decimated. As of the HSCA testimony some 37 items of it were missing. They had to have been missing in what was given to the Commission or the CIA could have obtained replacements from the Archives for HSCA.

There is no reason to believe that the 201 file contained only copies or even originals. There is reason to believe it was made up of copies of other existing records

It should have been possible to reconstruct the 201 file unless the CIA was determined not to reconstruct it, that it remain gutted.

Iffeither the Commission or the committee had desired to get to the bottom of this gutting of the file either could have.

The name is captioned to say that it is all the information the CIA had on 140 before 11/22/63.But this is added to the end of the caption, by hand : "As Transmitted to Warron Convission."

"这^{是我们}没有了,你说,你是想要说你们的?"这次说:"你们还是我们的说我,你就是你们的你的,你还是你不能没有你,你们就是你你的,你们还不是我们的这些你?"他说,她的一次我把她**把**

This also suggests that the CIA did not transmit all to the Counterion.

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MEMCRANDUM FOR: Mr. J. Lee Rankin

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Regarding Lee Harvey CSWALD	
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1. This refers to your letter of February 12, 1964 addressed to the Director of Central Intelligence which has been passed to me for reply.

2. Paragraph three of your letter requested the Agency to supply the Commission with a report on information in the Agency's possession regarding Lee Harvey CSWALD prior to November 22, 1963. The request was predicated upon the footnois on page two of CIA's report to the Commission dated 31 January 1964, entitled: "Information Developed by CIA on the Activity of Lee Harvey CSWALD in Mexico City, 23 September - 3 October 1963".

3. There is attached an eract reproduction of the Agency's official dossier on Lee Harvey CSWALD beginning with the opening sheet dated 9 December 1960. The entire dossier carries the security classification of Secret and consists of thirty documents arranged in chronological order. On the basis of clearances from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Department of State, the Department of Navy, and the Immigration and Naturalization Service, who were queried by us after the receipt of your letter, we are able to make available exact copies of all materials in the file up to early October 1963. These include:

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a. Seven documents received from the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

b. Ten documents received from the Department of State.

c. Two documents received from the Department of Navy.

d. One document (a name check request) from the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

e. Four newspaper clippings.

f. Five internal CIA notes.

g. CIA report dated 21 January 1964 to the Commission which covers all substantive developments affecting CIA in the matter of Lee Harvey CSWALD from 9 October to 22 November 1963. The report indicated the disseminations of information developed by CIA that were made to other Federal agencies during that period. This item, as was pointed out at the time, is particularly sensitive and hears appropriate sensitivity indicators.

4. You will note that almost all of the documents carry markings required for CIA's internal records processing. A few of the papers contained the names of our employees or identifications of specific organizational components. We have taken the liberty of blocking out these items as they do not bear on the substance of the Commission's request.

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Richard Helms Deputy Director for Plans

Attachment

Original & 2 - Addressee

1 - DDP 1 - DDP 1 - DDP 4 March 1964 (Inventory of documents contained in file attached for all but addressee)

Inventory of Documents Contained in CSWALD Dossier Forwarded to the Commission

X / 1. State Telegram No. 1304, October 31, 1959 (Confidential) × -12. Newspaper Article from the Washington Post, November 1, 1959 × ~~3.1 Internal Note dated 2 November 1959 (oral FBI name check request) and NR reply dated 4 November 1959 (Confidential) X -/A. Foreign Service Despatch 234, November 2, 1959 (Confidential) x - 15. Stale Telegram 1359, November 9, 1959 (Confidential) x - 16. State Telegram 1448, November 9, 1959 (Confidential) x~ A. Newspaper Clipping from Washington Post, November 16, 1959 W v8. Newspaper Clipping from Evening Star, November 26, 1959 × v9. FBI REPORT ; 25 May 1960 (Confidential) يتر آن ا 20. Internal CIA Biographic Profile dated circa May 1960 (Confidential) . 11. Letter from the Department of State (Cumming) to DDP dated October 25, 1960 - Secret) + 12. DUP Response to State, dated 21 November 1960 Secret) $\times \sqrt{13}$. Internal CIA Request for Opening of 201 file, 9 December 1960. (Secret) X/14. State Memorandum of Conversation dated January 26, 1961 (OUO) X 15. State Instruction A-273, April 13, 1961 (OUO) × 16. Foreign Service Despatch 806, May 26, 1961 (OUO) My. Foreign Service Despatch 29, July 11, 1961 (OUO) 18. FEI REPORT, July 13, 1961 (Confidential) -ATT. I CS COPY

ť Ĺ 6 Mar 64 19. Internal CIA Memo for the Record, 28 September 1961 (Secret) k 220, Foreign Service Despatch 317, October 12, 1961 (OUO) 4 121. IWNS Name Check Request, December 5, 1961 /22. Navy Message 20197/RB/3, 3 March 1962 (Confidential) >/23. DNA 1624, 26 April 1962 * 24. Newspaper Clipping from Washington Post, June 9, 1962. y -25. FBI REPORT; September 7, 1962 (Confidential) 26. FBI REPORT, 10 September 1963 × -27. FBI REPORT, 24 September 1963 x-23. FBI REPORT (number unclear), November 7, 1963. x 129. FBI REPORT; November 8, 1963 30. CIA Summary Report on Activities of OSWALD in Mexico City, dated 31 January 1964 CS COPY -2-