

Item 18-522: ***! DeMohr. contacts with (evidently) J. Walton Moore. See my memo. (The Assassinations, p. 473.) Are we to believe that Moore did not see DeM. after autumn 1961 (and got a Christmas card in 1963), against DeM.'s vague but intriguing testimony that he may have asked Moore about Oswald? Obviously the CIA got a report on Moore's contacts with DeM.; was he asked about Oswald? Also, note that DeM. wanted to work for OSS in 1942. Wonder where he went ~~xxx~~ when he was turned down there?

Item 29-12: innocuous words "AT STATION" released before, now withheld! In general, however, there seem to be substantially fewer deletions now.

Item 89-33: reference to 'Excelsior' story as "not our leak" makes you wonder what was being leaked.

Item 104-40, etc.: D's name is no longer withheld. (It has been known for years, e.g. from the CD list.) An additional paragraph was released before, omitted (probably by accident) this time.

Item 160-65, et al.: What is meant by "slugging" traffic?

Item 226-90: the Stockholm visa story.

Item 251-97: * - information on Burley previously withheld.

Item 256-98: (re mystery traveler in Mexico) - the original version hid the fact that the lead came in to HQ, not the Mexico Station. David Phillips rightly considered this important in evaluation of the lead.

Item 387-738: Gibson (FPCC) - reports a letter from Lee Bowmont in Fort Worth. Another Oswald letter, or another Oswald? Or was Gibson (whose motives sound questionable) making things up?

Item 431-154B: more DeMohrenschildt.

Item 435-173A: ***! - CIA pre-assassination interest in Oswald. See our book, p. 467. I asked why the CIA was not interested in Oswald, if they really were not. Specifically, this item confirms that his manuscript on life in Minsk was indeed just the sort of thing the CIA would like to have! The author of this memo - unidentified - doesn't know what followup was done after he left the case, but "the laying out of interview" (in Russia?) was discussed. Very interesting. Brad Sparks suggests that "FI" (foreign intelligence) is the 2-letter deletion. Odd use of "our country" makes me wonder if reference is not to U.S. Very odd use of "Harvey" in the last line.

Item 376-154: The person with whom "confrontations" about Soviet involvement occurred, deleted earlier, is "Mr. Robert Slusser." Who is he? (Actually, I was hoping for Hoover, Mann, etc.)

Item 471-190A: summary (1/10, 5 pp.) of early CIA work on the case, as if a report was being written. (The report might have become CD 347.)

Items 480-191B, 483-193A, 487-195A, 495-203A, etc.: internal Warren Commission documents. In some cases (#195A, 203A) we clearly have Archives copies. (Marion Johnson's handwriting, etc.) Did the CIA really have Rankin's personal memo on the informant problem? I suspect that even the staff didn't see it! I would like to see the CIA copy of this one!

Item 513-199B: Slawson to Willens, re letter to Russian government - I think this is a topic which Slawson still thinks is sensitive. Not obvious why.

Item 522-240 &c: I notice that they are no longer ~~xxxxxx~~ deleting Helms' name from (routine) letters to the WC.

Item 555-809: info. disseminated to the SS. Apparently a bit of a flap.

Item 571-254: concern about giving WC Soviet Assassination paper.

Item 582-249A: WC's great interest in Nosenko. #583-814: Questions for Nosenko. Apparent CIA-FBI differences.

Items 591-252A thru 252I: contents of the CIA file (CD 692), all (I think) previously released. In 252B, Papich's name is now withheld!

Item 601-816: FBID (now FBIS) should have noted Oswald's defection, but apparently didn't. (Or maybe it wasn't in the broadcasts they covered.)

Item 603-256. Important memo re 3/12 meeting with WC staff; cf. previous version. Added: (P. 3) State cover. "digraphs." (?) Graf 9: failure of other agencies to respond to Mexico info. Graf 10: Helms not deleted. Graf 14: (important): Willens asks about the photo shown to Mrs. Oswald. Looks deceptive: I don't think the problem is "which of these pictures" was shown to Mrs. Oswald. The WC didn't know the photo was associated with Mexico, as far as I can tell.

Item 609-786: re Allen-Scott allegation that CIA interviewed LHO in Moscow. ***. Cf. the next item, as it went to the WC - much toned down. Snyder had been CIA, 1949-1950, then went to HICOG ("apparently"). Freers had "liaison clearance." The memo's author didn't like Allen & Scott at all, and passed on memos about them. Again, the question is: why didn't the CIA ever interview Oswald?

Item 612-788: * The fact that Belli has been fired by Ruby "does not reduce governmental interest in Belli's activities in Mexico."

Item 613-262: It is now clear that this is about G. P. Lopez, the Tampa Cuban-American. Here is the report (rumor?) that he was involved in the ass'n. (Item 617-260 also relates.)

Item 618-793: **. Dulles-WC-CIA relationship. Rankin wanted him to review CIA files for the Commission (that's news to me); he and the CIA didn't want him to do it. Odd deletion in line 3 re Dulles' taping session. Might this memo be from Angleton?

Item 621-259: Now they delete "station" and "City" from "CIA station in Mexico City." Is this just silly, or what? In 622-258, now they delete "and sensitive" in description of the source of the photos!

Item 624-823: this is "new," but it sure looks familiar - it may be a big CD. It's the name list with traces.

Item 633-797: re meeting with Stern. **. Stern "hewed closely to the guidelines." "There was no discussion as to how the photos were acquired." Graf 5: Stern was critical of the Navy for not forwarding the Oswald photo, and indicated that he would bring up complaints about 6 or 7 other points with the Navy. No evidence of that in the Archives. Interesting memo.

Item 646-277: LHO notebook traces. Cf. previous version. They knew Kloefer signed an anti-HUAC petition. P. 4: material on Priscilla Johnson still deleted.

Item 647-824: someone wanted to talk with WC out of channels, and interview Marina? P. 3 - ref. to photo in CIA Graphics Register not deleted.

Item 648-825: CIA still concerned about protecting Mexico assets (photo coverage?) from WC staff. Minimum disclosure suggested.

Item 657-831: Dulles-CIA back channel. (Angleton?)

Item 660-833: "BND" deleted! (In the CD list, I think.) The CIA is still not being all that good with its deletions.

Item 662-834: *. Info on publication of Buchanan and Gun material. Wide dissemination. Cf. previous version.

Item 687-295: Interesting; re the Cuban Intelligence defector.

Every batch of CIA stuff has a few goodies, along with a lot of rather routine material. I would sure like to see some of the material they are holding back! (As well as the results of their review of the rest of this file.)

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