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Select Committee on SS Sinations B.S. House of Representatives SSI HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING, ANNERS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20518

January 26, 1978

Ms. Deanne C. Siemer General Counsel Department of Defense Washington, D. C. 20301

Dear Ms. Siemer:

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In connection with its investigation into the circumstances surrounding the death of President Kennedy, the Select Committee on Assassinations requests that duly authorized representatives be granted access to all documents, files, file references and materials generated by, or in the possession of, the Department of Defense, or any department, agency, bureau, or office under the jurisdiction of the Department of Defense, including, but not limited to, the Departments of the Army, Navy and Air Force and the offices of Army, Navy and Air Force Intelligence, regarding the individuals listed below. We request that your search include all registered or unregistered aliases or cryptonyms that were used by, or assigned to, such individuals.

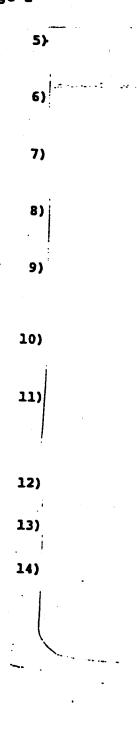
 Lee Harvey Oswald aka Lee Henry Oswald, Henry Lee Oswald, Harvey Lee Oswald, Alex Hidell. Birthdate: 10/18/39.

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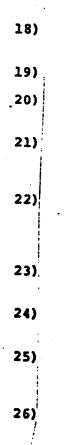
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In addition, the Select Committee requests access to the following information:

- 36) All materials pertaining to the International Rescue Committee, including those concerning the IRC and anti-Castro Cuban groups and/or;
- 37) Unexpurgated copy of Warren Commission Exhibit #917: telegram dated November 3, 1959 from the Naval Attache in the American Embassy in Moscow to the Department of the Navy.
- 38) All records or transcripts of Lee Harvey Oswald's courts-martial of April 11, 1958 and June 27, 1958. In the event that such documents are unavailable, we request that you provide the names and addresses of:

- a) the officers who instituted the courts-martial
- b) those persons who served as judicial officers in the cases
- c) those persons who were acquainted with the factual circumstances which occasioned the courts-martial or who were witnesses at Oswald's military trial.
- 39) Letter to Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara from the Office of the Attorney General. Date: February 8, 1963. This document is referenced on page 62 of Oswald's Office of Naval Intelligence file.
- 40) Naval message from ALUSNA Canberra to RVECN/ONI.
 2 pages. This document is referenced on page 256 of Oswald's Office of Naval Intelligence file.
- 41) 11/22/63 telegram which referred to Lee Harvey Oswald aka A. J. Hidell as a card-carrying communist who had defected to Cuba in 1959.
- 42) Photograph of Lee Harvey Oswald with "November 14, 1963" stamped on the back. Believed to be in the possession of the Office of Naval Intelligence.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Sincerely,

G. Robert Blakey Chief Counsel and Director

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cc: Mr. G. M. Andricos