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The Honorable Harold Brown  
Secretary of Defense  
Washington, D. C. 20301

Attention: Mr. John G. Kester  
Special Assistant to the Secretary

Dear Mr. Secretary:

In connection with its investigation of the death of President John F. Kennedy, the Select Committee on Assassinations requests access to any and all records, including classified material, concerning or referring to investigations into Lee Harvey Oswald's background by the 112 Military Intelligence Group, headquartered in San Antonio, Texas, and commanded by Lt. Col. Robert E. Jones, U.S.A. (social security number: 413-12-6382; date of birth: November 6, 1920). These investigations, conducted circa 1963, dealt with, among other things, Oswald's military background, defection to the Soviet Union, marriage, return to the United States, and addresses, and included a personality profile and an "after action" (summary) report.

In addition, the Committee requests that the Department of Defense provide the following information:

1. A detailed written statement explaining why a photograph of Lee Harvey Oswald that is in the possession of either the Office of Naval Intelligence or the Office of Naval Investigations is contained in an envelope marked "REC'd 14 Nov 63" and "CIA 77978."

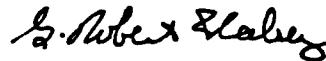
It is the Committee's belief that the photograph was taken by the United States Marine Corps upon Oswald's induction into the service in 1956. The envelope is in fact marked "Date of photo 28 Dec 56."

Your statement should address the following questions: Did the Central Intelligence Agency request this photograph? If so, when and under what circumstances? Was the photograph ever sent to the CIA? If so, when and under what circumstances? If the photograph was requested but was not sent, please explain the circumstances.

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2. A written list of those persons at the Office of Naval Intelligence and at the Office of Naval Investigations who were either connected with, responsible for, or knowledgeable about files pertaining to Oswald.
3. A detailed written statement explaining why Oswald's September 4, 1959 passport application (labeled Commission Exhibit No. 1114 by the Warren Commission) makes reference to Oswald's inactive military identification card ("MCR/Inactive I.D. Card #N4,271,617 SUBMITTED") which, according to military records (Commission's Folsom Ex. 1, pp. 10, 66), was not issued to Oswald until September 11, 1959.

Sincerely,



G. Robert Blakey  
Chief Counsel and Director

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