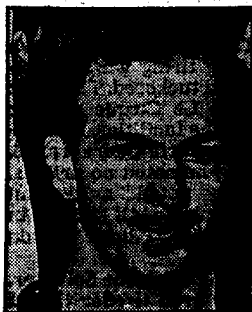


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CIA releases pre-JFK Oswald file

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The CIA yesterday released copies of a 118-page file compiled on Lee Harvey Oswald before the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

CIA director Robert Gates told a Senate hearing that the formerly top-secret dossier was complete, except for "quite minimal deletions."

The National Archives began making plans to print and distribute copies today.

Experts on the assassination said they expected few surprises, since the CIA had turned Oswald's pre-assassination

data over to investigators of the Warren Commission and the House Special Committee on Assassinations, which investigated the Kennedy's murder.

An angry Gates said he hoped the documents' release would clear the CIA of "this corrosive suspicion" that the agency was involved in the Nov. 22, 1963, assassination.

"The only thing more horrifying to me than the assassination itself is the insidious, pervasive notion that elements of my own government, including this agency, had something to do with it," Gates told the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee.

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