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FILE NO. 15-10

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President's Commission on the
Assassination of President Kennedy
200 Maryland Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20002

Attention: Mr. J. Lee Rankin

Enclosure:

This is a reply to your April 24, 1964 letter in which you requested
the original copies of material in our record concerning Lee Harvey
Oswald.

The attached material represents the complete file relating to
requests provided Mr. Oswald under the Bureau's Repatriation
Program. We have retained copies of this material and it will
not be necessary to return copies of the originals.

Sincerely yours,

Fred H. Steinhilber
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Director

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Commission No. 906

DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE

OFFICE OF
THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR

REGIONAL OFFICE
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May 4, 1964

Mr. J. Lee Rankin
General Counsel
President's Commission on the
Assassination of President Kennedy
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Washington, D. C. 20002

Dear Mr. Rankin:

Referring to your letter of April 27, 1964, I enclose the only files
known to anyone in the Dallas Regional Office of the Department of
Health, Education, and Welfare, which relate or concern Lee Harvey
Oswald in any way.

The file enclosed is from the office of the Regional Representative
of Family Services for the Department. Copies have been made to replace
the files of the Bureau of Family Services and the enclosed file if it
serves any purpose, may be retained. I imagine that you will find that
the information available here is already in your files since it was
delivered to the Dallas office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation
for review on November 26, 1963, and some of the original copies were
retained by that office.

If there is any other way in which the Regional Office may cooperate,
we shall be glad to hear from you.

Yours sincerely,
Harold J. Scalford
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Regional Attorney

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Dear Paul,

Re CDs 903, 906, HC-HEW, I cannot find what you once sent me, indication that the State Dept notified the local office of certain benefits to which the returning effected defector would be entitled, under the law. I filed it by a subject that now escapes me, and not knowing the CD identification, I cannot retrieve it. If you can send me the citation, I'll find it. That and these two pages persuade me there should be a separate HEW file, for the FBI withdrew certain of the originals to begin with. These, of course, could have been only for samples of handwriting, etc.

However, reasonable as it may be that handwriting samples are among the more innocent purposes for which originals may have been desired (the Commission neither got nor wanted any originals), it is neither necessary nor desirable to conclude that there can be nothing but innocence. I doubt the State Department is so solicitous of the rights of those it considers traitors.

If you and Jim intend to blowing down CD906, it might be interesting if not fruitful, when we consider there is no evidence HQ ever used any of his benefits, at least I do not recall any. Like educational benefits. Or is my recollection faulty.

HW