

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL (MANPOWER)
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Subj: Information for President's Commission on the assassination of President Kennedy; your request for

Encl: (1) Mr. J. Lee Rankin's ltr of 19 May 1964 addressed to HJMC re subj

1. In accordance with the request contained in your memorandum of 7 May 1964, the following is provided for your information concerning Lee Harvey OSWALD, relating to his service, while a member of the Marine Corps. In addition, this information is provided with a view toward your advising the President's Commission that it is also in response to Mr. J. Lee Rankin's letter of 19 May 1964 (enclosure (1)).

a. Description of Advanced or Formal Training which OSWALD received while a Member of the Marine Corps

(1) OSWALD attended an Aviation Fundamental School, Naval Air Technical Training Center, Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Florida from 18 March 1957 to 3 May 1957. During this period, his course of instruction consisted essentially of the following:

- (a) Security of Classified Matter
- (b) USMC Organizations, Missions and Systems
- (c) Navy Plotting Symbols and Lectures
- (d) Practical Application of (c) above
- (e) Basic Radar Theory
- (f) Equipments and Safety Measures
- (g) Communications
- (h) Search and Rescue Procedures
- (i) Air Traffic Control Procedures

(j) Map Reading

(k) Weather

(l) Aircraft Recognition

(m) Combat Information Centrals

(2) From 4 May 1957 to 17 June 1957, OSWALD attended the Aircraft Control and Warning Operator Course at Keesler Air Force Base, Mississippi. His course of instruction at the aforementioned command consisted of the following:

- (a) Radar Familiarization
- (b) Operation of Radar Indicators
- (c) Aircraft Warning Indicators
- (d) Aircraft Control and Warning Systems
- (e) Operation of Aircraft Warning Installations
- (f) Electronic Countermeasures

(g) Familiarization Courses in Organization of Marine Aviation, Marine Air Support and Air Control Systems, Communication Nets and Usage and Naval Plotting Symbols and Procedures

b. Type of Work which OSWALD did while a Member of the Marine Corps

(1) OSWALD performed duties in the Marine Corps as an Aviation Electronics Operator, except for a short period during October 1958 when he was given general duty assignments. From 4 September 1959 to 11 September 1959, during a period when OSWALD was awaiting release to inactive duty, OSWALD performed no duties.

c. Information Relating to OSWALD's Security Clearance while Member of the Marine Corps and Description of Classified Information which may have been available to OSWALD

(1) OSWALD was granted a final clearance on 3 May 1957

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to handle confidential matter. Such action, following a careful records check, was required in connection with OSWALD's assignment to the Aviation Fundamental School, Naval Air Technical Training Center and the Aircraft Control and Warning Operations Course at Keesler Air Force Base. As far as can be determined at this time, OSWALD in all probability, had access to confidential matter while a student at the aforementioned commands during courses of instruction relating to Radar Jamming and Identification - "Friend or Foe" procedures. Because of his grade and lack of experience, he would not normally have had access to classified matter in the performance of his duties as an Aviation Electronics Operator following completion of his training heretofore described. There is no evidence contained in the personnel file that OSWALD's security clearance was ever terminated, nor is there evidence that he was granted access to any information of higher than confidential characterization. It was, however, the practice of the Marine Corps, that on occasions where assignments, similar to OSWALD's, required a higher clearance than confidential in order to perform specific, classified electronic duties, personnel with clearances commensurate with the duties to be performed were assigned thereto.

d. Stations and Units to which OSWALD was assigned after his Enlistment into the Marine Corps on 24 October 1956 at Dallas, Texas, and Dates Assigned

26 Oct 1956 - 18 Jan 1957	2d Recruit Training Battalion, Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, California
20 Jan 1957 - 26 Feb 1957	"A" Company, 1st Battalion 2nd Infantry Training Regiment, Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, California
18 Mar 1957 - 3 May 1957	Marine Aviation Detachment Naval Air Technical Training Command, Jacksonville, Florida

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4 May 1957 - 19 Jun 1957	Keesler Air Force Base, Biloxi, Mississippi
9 Jul 1957 - 21 Aug 1957	4th Replacement Battalion, MAT&C, Marine Corps Air Station, El Toro (Santa Ana), California
22 Aug 1957 - 12 Sep 1957	Enroute from San Diego, California to Yokosuka, Japan aboard the USS BEXAR
12 Sep 1957 - 27 Oct 1957	MACS-1, MAG-11, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Atsugi, Japan
27 Oct 1957 - 15 Nov 1957	U. S. Naval Hospital, Yokosuka, Japan
16 Nov 1957 - 20 Nov 1957	MACS-1, MAG-11, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, FMF, Atsugi, Japan
20 Nov 1957 - 6 Mar 1958	Embarked aboard Terrell County, LST 1157 with MACS-1 MAG-11, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing at Yokosuka, Japan on 20 November 1957 for maneuvers. Arrived in Philippine Islands area 20 November 1957
7 Mar 1958 - 18 Mar 1958	Sailed from Corregidor, P. I. with MACS-1, MAG-11, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing on 7 March 1958 aboard the USS WEXFORD COUNTY, LST 1168. Arrived at Atsugi, Japan 18 March 1958
18 Mar 1958 - 13 Sep 1958	MACS-1, MAG-11, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, Atsugi, Japan

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14 Sep 1958 - 6 Oct 1958 Embarked aboard AKA 105 with MACS-1, MAC-11, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing and sailed from Yokosuka, Japan on 14 September 1958 for South China Sea area. Was at Ping Tung, North Taiwan on 30 September 1958; returned to Atsugi, Japan on 5 October 1958

6 Oct 1958 - 1 Nov 1958 On duty with Sub-Unit 1, H&MS-11, MAC-11, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing at Atsugi, Japan. (Sick at Atsugi Station Hospital from 7 October 1958 to 13 October 1958).

2 Nov 1958 - 15 Nov 1958 Departed Yokosuka, Japan on 2 November 1958 aboard USNS BARRETT, arriving in San Francisco, California on 15 November 1958

16 Nov 1958 - 21 Dec 1958 Casual Company, Department of the Pacific, Marine Barracks, U. S. Naval Station, Treasure Island, San Francisco, California, processing for leave and proceed time

22 Dec 1958 - 10 Sep 1959 MACS-9, MWHK, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Corps Air Station, El Toro (Santa Ana), California

2. As indicated above, the units to which OSWALD was attached did not change their geographical location except as indicated.

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ALLEN R. FELDE, 3307 North 22nd Street, advised that he had enlisted in the United States Marine Corps at Milwaukee, Wisconsin in October, 1956 and had met LEE HARVEY OSWALD as a United States Marine Corps recruit about October 13, 1956, while both of them were assigned to Platoon 2060, 2nd Battalion, H.C.R.D., San Diego, California. Both men were stationed at San Diego until January, 1957, at which time FELDE stated that they were transferred to Camp Pendleton for combat training. This combat training lasted until May, 1957 and during this time FELDE was assigned to the same squad of eight men, all of whom shared the same tent. During May, 1957, OSWALD and FELDE were transferred to the A & P School at Jacksonville, Florida and in approximately July, 1957 they were both sent to Aviation Electronics School in Memphis, Tennessee. During September, 1957 FELDE transferred to the Marine Corps Air Station at Opa Locka, Florida and did not see OSWALD after this date.

During his association with OSWALD, FELDE recalled that OSWALD continually discussed politics in which topic none of the young Marines had any interest. OSWALD was an argumentative type of person and would frequently take the opposite side of an argument just for the sake of a debate. OSWALD was not popular with the other recruits, and his company was avoided if possible.

According to FELDE, OSWALD continually wrote to United States Senators about certain issues in which OSWALD believed strongly but which were not known to FELDE. One senator in particular who was in receipt of a number of OSWALD's letters was Senator TRUMAN. FELDE remembered that OSWALD had expressed a dislike for people of wealth and that he championed the cause of the working man. On frequent occasions OSWALD found fault with EISENHOWER and TRUMAN and had been against the United States participation in the Korean War since OSWALD stated that one million men were killed in this war and nothing was accomplished. OSWALD had condemned EISENHOWER because of EISENHOWER's poor tactics in the utilization of a tank unit at the time of the invasion of Europe. FELDE had the impression at the time of his

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