MEMORANDUM FOR THE SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY AND DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

SUBJECT: Senate Select Committee Request for Information on Matters Related to President Kennedy's Assassination

Inclosed is our response to the request of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence dated 14 November 1975.

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In response to Mr. Fenn's letter of 14 November 1975 to Mr. Frank Foster which posed a number of questions on matters related to President Kennedy's assassination, the following information is provided:

NSA has identified some four foreign communications which mention Lee Harvey Oswald, but has not identified any messages to or from him. The four identified messages are and contain Cuban comments regarding press items which discuss Oswald's activity in late September 1963 to obtain a Cuban visa to travel to Moscow and also comments on the assassination itself. The messages are dated in the last week of November 1963.

NSA has not identified any communications to, from or mentioning Marina Oswald, Jack Ruby or Earl Ruby.

The specific questions asked and responses follow:

1. Were any of the above names put on a watch list and, if so, by which agency or individual of the Government?

ANSWER: The name of Oswald was used in searching our data base immediately following the assassination. Records from that time period are virtually non-existent and it is not clear which agency or individual of the Government requested the search to be made.

2. Was product or information concerning the individuals cited above ever requested by any agency or individual of the Government or of the Warren Commission? If so, what information and by whom?

ANSWER: NSA has no record or recollection of such requests.

3. Was product or information concerning the individuals cited above ever disseminated to any agency or individual of the Government or of the Warren Commission? If so, what information and to whom?

ANSWER: The four messages cited above were disseminated to CIA, DIA, STATE and elements of the Army, Navy and Air Force.
4. Did NSA ever have a watch list on U.S. defectors to the Soviet Union? If so, to which agencies was this information disseminated?

**ANSWER:** The names of several such individuals were used as selectors in dictionaries. No information was ever noted which warranted dissemination.

5. Were there ever any requests to monitor specific links for information pertaining to the individuals cited above? Who made these requests, and when? Did these include links between Mexico-U.S.A., Mexico-Cuba, Mexico-U.S.S.R., Cuba-U.S.A., or Cuba-U.S.S.R.?

**ANSWER:** No.

5. Were there ever any requests to monitor specific links for information pertaining to the assassination of President Kennedy? Who made these requests, and when? Did these include links between Mexico-U.S.A., Mexico-Cuba, Mexico-U.S.S.R., Cuba-U.S.A., or Cuba-U.S.S.R.?

**ANSWER:** No.