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COMMENTS:

George:

As a follow-up to one of our recent conversations in which you raised the issue of cooperation from ONI, I thought I would share some documents that we have recently received from the Navy. I have numbered the attached documents in the upper right hand corner to correspond with the brief descriptions below:

1. Affidavit with cover memo from Rufus L. Taylor, Director of Naval Intelligence, stating that Oswald was not an agent of ONI; dated September 21, 1964. This document was in the Navy files and recently provided to us, but to our knowledge is not published in the Warren Commission Report. As stated in the cover memo, the affidavit is in response to a letter to Robert McNamara from Earl Warren (number 2 below).
2. Letter from Warren to McNamara, dated September 10, 1964, seeking affidavit stating that Oswald was not an informant or an agent. This document was also in the Navy files and recently provided to us, but to our knowledge is not published in the Warren Commission Report. This letter was attached to a memo from the Defense Intelligence Agency to the Secretaries of the Army, Navy and Air Force (number 3 below). This Warren letter explains the genesis of the McNamara letter and affidavit (number 4 below).
3. Memo from the Defense Intelligence Agency to the Secretaries of the Army, Navy and Air Force, dated September 17(?), 1964, requesting information for McNamara to use in responding to Warren. This document was in the Navy files and recently provided to us, but to our knowledge is not published in the Warren Commission Report.

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4. For Your Background – Warren Commission Exhibit 3138 – Letter and affidavit from McNamara to Warren, dated September 21, 1964, in response to Warren letter of September 10, 1964 (number 2 above).

5. For Your Background – Warren Commission Exhibit 3138 (continued). This memo, dated September 19, 1964, from the Department of the Army's Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence to the Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency, was attached to McNamara's September 21 response to Warren. We have not found any response from the Air Force.

All of this activity was obviously breaking very late for the Warren Commission. As I said, because this matter involved ONI, I thought you might like to see the documents. If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call at 724-0088, ext. 227.

Tom