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To: Jeremy Gunn/ARRBcc: Dennis Quinn/ARRB, Christopher Barger/ARRB From: Douglas Horne/ARRB Date: 08/16/95 11:27:26 AMSubject: Oswald's DD 1173; more onAnne will be telephonically contacting the Federal Records Center soon to try to locate the whereabouts of former 1st Lt Ayers, who made the service record entry and signed Oswald's DD 1173 card.I have prepared a list of questions that I feel the staff should ask him if we can locate him; when the time comes should I call him or someone else? (I would be glad to do this, as the person who is immersed in the details of this issue, if that is deemed appropriate. I wanted to ask this question early on.)Oswald's 04 Sep 1959 Passport Application is a Warren Commission Exhibit...and it lists the I.D. card serial number on the DD 1173...TROUBLE IS, THE CARD'S ISSUE DATE (I sighted this myself at the Archives) is 11 SEP 59!!! (This is one of the many questions I have for Mr. Ayers.)Furthermore, the Passport photo (which Oswald turned in on 04 Sep 59, one week BEFORE he was discharged from the USMC) bears very little resemblance whatsoever to the photo which is now on the DD 1173 dated 11 Sep 59 (which was actually in his possession on 04 Sep 59). As controversial as this may sound, the two photos do not even look like the same person. This discrepancy begs explanation. This apparent discrepancy is in the record, and needs to be addressed.I contacted Mr. Graboski (USMC archivist) this morning and he promised to call the person who should have the PRAM, and get back to me as soon as it is located. He's not sure how long this will take...perhaps as much as a week, perhaps sooner.This DD 1173 business gets curiouiser and curiouiser, particularly when one considers that the FBI appears to have withheld the I.D. card from the Warren Commission (based on the fact that it is not published as an exhibit, and also on the fact that the FBI turned it over directly to the archives in 1966). Could the discrepancy in photos have given something away, explaining why the I.D. was withheld from the W.C.?The written guidance in the PRAM on I.D. card issuance, and/or our interview of Mr. Ayers are undoubtedly the keys to resolving whether this is a "smoking document" or just much ado about nothing.We can kick this around more on Friday.

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