

# **Analysis and Review Research Aid for the JFK Assassination**

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## A. CHRONOLOGY

10/18/39 Lee Harvey Oswald born in New Orleans.

10/1/45 Truman terminates OSS operations. Some OSS components sent to State, others to military. At this point Truman wants State to take lead in coordinating intelligence. Neither State nor military wants to cede intelligence responsibility to a third agency.<sup>1</sup>

1/22/46 Truman creates a National Intelligence Authority (NIA) comprised of Secretaries of State, War, and Navy and President's representative. Under NIA would be a Central Intelligence Group headed by a DCI who would be responsible for coordinating intelligence. The CIG produced the first national intelligence estimate.<sup>2</sup>

1947 National Security Act creates CIA, JCS, NSC.

1950 CIA BLUEBIRD program is forerunner of MKULTRA; engaged in human experimentation. Under the control of the CIA Office of Security and Office of Scientific Intelligence. Name subsequently changed to ARTICHOKE.

6/50 CIA fails to predict North Korean invasion of South Korea.

10/50 Walter Bedell Smith becomes DCI. William Jackson becomes D/DCI.

1950-53 CIA undergoes reorganization.

-1952 DDI formed (includes ONE and ORR)

-1952 DDP<sup>3</sup> formed (assuming functions of Policy Coordination and Special Operations)

1952 NSA created.

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<sup>1</sup>Lowenthal, *U.S. Intelligence* 13-14.

<sup>2</sup>Lowenthal, *U.S. Intelligence* 15.

<sup>3</sup>Renamed DDO in 1973.

1953MKULTRA officially launched. Under control of Technical Services Division of DDP.

1953Operations Coordinating Board (OCB) established for the purpose of evaluating covert operations.<sup>4</sup>

1953CIA operations in Iran, Costa Rica.

1954CIA operation in Guatemala.

1954Dolittle Reports cites CIA for poor management. Eisenhower rejects findings.

1954Diem and Lansdale arrive in South Vietnam within one month of each other.<sup>5</sup>

1955Oswald association with David Ferrie in CAP?

3/55NSC 5412/1 establishes "Special Group" (or 54-12 Committee) with the stated task of authorizing covert operations.<sup>6</sup>

1956Berlin Tunnel becomes known.

6/56First U-2 flight.

10/24/56Oswald joins Marines.

10/31/56Suez Crisis begins.

1957Diem becomes Chief of State in South Vietnam.

1957Bureau of Intelligence and Research (INR) at State reorganized to integrate production and collection.

9/12/57-11/2/58Oswald stationed in Japan. His unit is temporarily based in Taiwan and

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<sup>4</sup>Jeffreys-Jones, *CIA & American Democracy* 92. See 2/61.

<sup>5</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 25.

<sup>6</sup>Jeffreys-Jones, *CIA and American Democracy* 92.

Philippines during this period.

10/4/57Sputnik I launched.

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## 1958

1958 United States Intelligence Board (USIB) created to coordinate and manage intelligence activities.<sup>7</sup> Replaces IAC (Intelligence Advisory Committee). Provides advice to the intelligence community. Chaired by DCI.

1958 Unsuccessful CIA operations in Indonesia and Tibet.

1/31/58 US launches satellite Explorer.

9/30/58 Oswald's unit returns to Atsugi.

11/2/58 Oswald leaves Japan for duty in California.<sup>8</sup>

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<sup>7</sup>Lowenthal, *U.S. Intelligence* 26.

<sup>8</sup>HSCA Rep. 220.

## 1959

1959KGB creates disinformation department.

1/1/59Castro arrives in Havana.

1/7/59Castro closes all casinos.<sup>9</sup> See 1/13/59.

1/13/59Castro allows casinos will be permitted to open for non-Cubans.<sup>10</sup> See 2/17/59.

2/17/59Castro's cabinet votes to reopen casinos.<sup>11</sup> See 9/30/61.

3/59Castro expropriates [US owned] Cuban Telephone Company.

4/59Nixon meets Castro in Washington.

5/59Castro expropriate US companies and institutes agrarian reforms including expropriation of US company owned land.

5/24/59John Foster Dulles dies.

6/59Maj. Pedro Diaz Lanz, chief of the Cuban Air Force, defects to the US.

8/17/59Oswald applies for hardship discharge. (His term of service was supposed to end on 12/7/59).

10/10/59Oswald in Helsinki.

10/12/59Oswald applies for Soviet visa.<sup>12</sup>

10/16/59Oswald arrives in Moscow.

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<sup>9</sup>Earman 19-20.

<sup>10</sup>Earman 19-20.

<sup>11</sup>Earman 19-20.

<sup>12</sup>HSCA Rep. 211.

10/31/59Oswald speaks to Richard E. Snyder at Embassy. Cable from Richard Snyder at Amembassy Moscow to State Department Washington, [forwarded to CIA and FBI] reporting that Oswald has offered to tell Russians what he learned as radar operator. "He intimated that he might know something of special interest." "For what significance it may have, the foregoing was also the pattern in the Nicholas PETRULLI case (our Dispatch 111, September 11, 1959)."

10/59According to WR, FBI opens file on Oswald [HQ: 105-82555; Dallas 100-10461]. At approximately the same time State, ONI, and CIA open files.<sup>13</sup>

11/2/59Ourtel from Charge d'affaires Freers Amembassy Moscow to State Department Washington. (3 pages describing Oswald and attempted defection.)

11/9/59CIA creates HT-Lingual index card for Oswald bearing the notation "CI/Project/RE" and "Watch List." According to the CIA, CI/Project was just another name for HT-Lingual and a CIA officer with initials RE noted that Oswald was under surveillance in the HT-Lingual project. See 8/7/61.<sup>14</sup>

11/16/59Priscilla Johnson (McMillan) interviews Oswald in his hotel in Moscow.

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<sup>13</sup>WR 434.

<sup>14</sup>HSCA Rep. 205-07.

## 1960

**3-8/60EARLY CIA PLOTS AGAINST CASTRO.** Esterline major player. Aerosol attack; (non-lethal) cigars, etc.<sup>15</sup>

3/60According to Corn, plots against Castro begin.<sup>16</sup>

3/17/60Eisenhower authorizes Bay of Pigs operation to go forward.

4/28?/60According to WR, Marguerite and Robert Oswald were interviewed by FBI.<sup>17</sup>  
[Why was Pic not interviewed?]

5/1/60U-2 flight shot down over Sverdlovsk.

5/12/60FBI Dallas: SA Fain (Ft. Worth) writes report on discussion with Marguerite Oswald.

6/3/60FBI HQ: Letter from Hoover to Office of Security, Department of State (cc: ONI).  
"Since there is a possibility that an imposter is using Oswald's birth certificate, any current information the Department of State may have concerning subject will be appreciated."

**8/60-4-5/61PHASE ONE CIA/MAFIA PLANS TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO.**<sup>18</sup>  
[Rosselli to Trafficante/Giancana]

8/60"Maheu was known to Rosselli as a man who had a number of large business organizations as clients. Edwards and Maheu agreed that Maheu would approach Rosselli as the representative of businessmen with interests in Cuba who saw the elimination of Castro as the essential

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<sup>15</sup>Earman 9-14.

<sup>16</sup>Corn, *Blond Ghost* 68.

<sup>17</sup>WR 434; FBI report (Fain), 7/31/61 at 3.

<sup>18</sup>Earman 14-37.



first step to the recovery of their investments. Maheu was authorized to tell Rosselli that his 'clients' were willing to pay \$150,000 for Castro's removal."<sup>19</sup>

After further investigation, the HSCA concluded: "The weight of the evidence indicates that Rosselli, and thus Giancana and Trafficante, knew the CIA was behind the assassination plots at an early stage."<sup>20</sup>

8/17/60Oswald given undesirable discharge. [Not reported to FBI until 1/11/61.]<sup>21</sup>

8/19/60Discovery 14 becomes first operational US spy satellite.<sup>22</sup> See 6/61,

9/60O'Connell meets with Rosselli to discuss Castro assassination. Rosselli declines to accept money. Rosselli introduces O'Connell to Sam Gold (Giancana). Edwards does not meet Rosselli until 1962.<sup>23</sup>

"As of the latter part of September 1960, Edwards, O'Connell, and Bissell were the only ones in the Agency who knew of a plan against Castro involving US gangster elements. Edwards states that Richard Helms was not informed of the plan, because Cuba was being handled by Bissell at that time."<sup>24</sup>

Subsequently: "With Bissell present, Edwards briefed the Director (Allen Dulles) and the DDCI (General Cabell) on the existence of a plan involving members of the syndicate. The discussion was circumspect; Edwards deliberately avoided the use of any 'bad words.' The descriptive term used was 'an intelligence operation.' Edwards

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<sup>19</sup>Earman 16.

<sup>20</sup>HSCA 10:166.

<sup>21</sup>FBI (Fain) Report, 7/3/61 at 4.

<sup>22</sup>Ejected film capsule that was recovered in mid-air. Detailed photos from 90 to 100 miles. Jeffreys-Jones, *CIA & American Democracy* 114.

<sup>23</sup>Earman 16-17.

<sup>24</sup>Earman 17.

is quite sure that the DCI and the DDCI clearly understood the nature of the operation he was discussing."<sup>25</sup>

9/25/60(Week of 9/25) O'Connell and Maheu meet in Miami with Rosselli and Giancana. "Joe, the courier" was discussed.<sup>26</sup> At some point Maheu offers Rosselli \$150,000 to get rid of Castro.<sup>27</sup>

10/60Maheu and Rosselli meet in Miami with Giancana and Trafficante.

10/25/60Cumming (State) to Bissell (CIA DD/P). Letter requesting information on "those Americans now living in Bloc countries who might be called 'defectors.'" (Includes: Lee Harvey Oswald (tourist); William Martin (NSA); Bernon Mitchell (NSA)). Oddity: Oswald not identified as a Marine or former Marine even though others on list have a military identification..

10/31/60Las Vegas police arrest Arthur Balletti for setting bugs on Phyllis McGuire.<sup>28</sup>

10/31/60CIA memorandum. M.D. Stevens, Security Research Staff, writes report on American defectors. She is asked not to write report on Oswald (MS-1165?) because State already has information on him. "Several of the above referred to defectors have been of interest to the CIA."

11/60JFK elected President.

11/30/60ONI transfers Oswald file from Chicago office to New Orleans office.

12/60Kruschev insurgency speech.

12/60Oswald allegedly writes to Amembassy saying he wants to return home. KGB may have intercepted the letter.

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<sup>25</sup>Earman 17-18.

<sup>26</sup>Earman 18-19.

<sup>27</sup>See Colby dep. to SSCI, 5/21/75 at 26.

<sup>28</sup>HSCA 10:152.

12/9/60CIA opens 201 file on "Lee Henry Oswald" in response to a request from State for information on defectors generally.<sup>29</sup>

12/21/60FBI memorandum forwarded to CIA regarding racketeers' efforts against Castro.<sup>30</sup>

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<sup>29</sup>HSCA Rep. 201.

<sup>30</sup>Earman 29.

## 1961

1961US launches SAMOS with photographic and sensing capability.

1/2/61U.S. breaks diplomatic relations with Cuba.

1/18/61FBI memorandum forwarded to CIA regarding racketeers' efforts against Castro.<sup>31</sup>

1/20/61JFK inaugurated.

1/26/61State memo. Marguerite Oswald visits State Department seeking information about her son. Participants included: Hickey (PPT); Stanfield (SCS); Boster (SOV). CCs sent to PPT; SCS; H; INR-8; SOV; Amembassy Moscow. "She thought there was some possibility that her son had in fact gone to the Soviet Union as a US secret agent, and if this were true she wished the appropriate authorities to know that she was destitute and should receive some compensation. Mrs. Oswald was assured that there was no evidence to suggest that he son had gone to the Soviet Union as an 'agent', and that she should dismiss any such idea."

1/61-5/61FIRST PHASE OF JFK'S VIETNAM POSITION. Produced Counterinsurgency Plan (CI).

2/61Bissell briefs William Harvey on anti-Castro plots "**in connection with a sensitive operation that Bissell had assigned to Harvey.**"<sup>32</sup> [This apparently is *not* the gambling syndicate operation -- because Harvey will take responsibility for this one year later.]

2/61JFK eliminates Operations Coordinating Board.<sup>33</sup>

2/1/61NSAM 2 orders SECDEF to develop counterinsurgency military forces.

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<sup>31</sup>Earman 29.

<sup>32</sup>Earman 37.

<sup>33</sup>Jeffreys-Jones, *CIA & American Democracy* 121. See 1953.

2/12/61NSAM 12 asks Chairman Lemnitzer whether counterinsurgency can be more effectively developed in Vietnam.

2/13/61Amembassy Moscow receives letter from Oswald expressing his desire to return to the U.S. provided that there would be no legal proceedings against him.<sup>34</sup>

2/26/61Amembassy Moscow sends dispatch to State regarding Oswald's wish to return to U.S. See State response, 4/13/61.

2/28/61According to HSCA, Amembassy Moscow seeks guidance from State regarding Oswald's potential liability.<sup>35</sup> See 4/13/61.

3-4/61Trafficante requests Varona to do a hit on Castro. Rosselli to deliver money, from CIA, to Varona.<sup>36</sup>

3/1/61Peace Corps created.

3/9/61NSAM 28 asks CIA and Defense what guerilla actions can be taken in North Vietnam.

3/24/61Amembassy Moscow sends dispatch to State regarding Oswald. See 4/13/61.

4/12/61Gagarin in space.

4/13/61State advises Amembassy Moscow that it cannot give assurances on prosecution of Oswald. Instructs Amembassy to take statements from Oswald *under oath*.

#### **4/17-19/61BAY OF PIGS.**

JFK subsequently relieves Dulles, Bissell, and Cabell. JFK does not reappoint any of the Joint Chiefs. White (Air Force) relieved 6/30/61; Burke (Navy) relieved 8/1/61; Decker (Army) relieved 9/30/62; Lemnitzer

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<sup>34</sup>HSCA Rep. 209.

<sup>35</sup>HSCA Rep. 209 [this may be misdated.]

<sup>36</sup>Earman 31.

(Chairman) relieved 10/1/62.<sup>37</sup>

4/21/61 Taylor called to White House by JFK.

4/27/61 Prolonged crisis meeting on Laos. Rostow: "I never saw a worse performance by our military . . ." The meeting opens a breach between JFK and the Joint Chiefs, especially Admiral Burke. LBJ supported Burke.<sup>38</sup>

4/28/61 Pentagon amends Vietnam Task Force Report by inserting a Laos Annex. "The Laos Annex to the Vietnam report was the opening salvo of a drive initiated by the JCS to intervene in Vietnam, an effort born within hours of the Pentagon's realization that Kennedy was not going to intervene in Laos. The person who inserted the key words committing US troops to Vietnam was Edward Lansdale."<sup>39</sup>

4/29/61 JCS brainstorming meeting prior to NSC meeting.

4/30/61 Oswald marries Marina Prusakova.

4-5/61 Edwards sends message through O'Connell to Rosselli of a stand-down of the assassination plan.<sup>40</sup> [N.B. Bissell and Esterline believe that the assassination operation was terminated six months before the Bay of Pigs.]<sup>41</sup> See 2-3/62. [Record is not entirely clear, but Phase One seems to have been dormant until November 61.]

5/61 Oswald writes to Amembassy Moscow seeking "full guarantee" against prosecution.

5/4/61 JFK creates Presidents Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board (PFIAB), which replaced the moribund PBCFIA.

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<sup>37</sup>Lowenthal, *U.S. Intelligence* 150.

<sup>38</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 16-17.

<sup>39</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 19-20. See also 39-41.

<sup>40</sup>Earman 33.

<sup>41</sup>Earman 33.

5/10/61JCS send memo to JFK recommending sending combat troops to Vietnam.<sup>42</sup> LBJ leaves for trip to Vietnam.

5/61-11/61SECOND PHASE OF JFK POSITION ON VIETNAM

5/11/61Washington. NSAM 52. JFK rejects JCS call for more troops. States US resolve to prevent Communist expansion but without recommending combat troops.

Saigon. LBJ receives 5/11 cable from CINCPAC containing JCS recommendation to McNamara that Diem be asked to request more US troops. Ambassador Nolting not aware of cable. LBJ meets with Diem and promises aid.

5/16/61Letter from Oswald to Amembassy postmarked Minsk.

5/24/61LBJ delivers report on Vietnam, though report had previously been cleared by the White House.<sup>43</sup>

5/25/61LBJ testifies before Congress about Vietnam. LBJ has no further role regarding Vietnam until he becomes President.<sup>44</sup>

5/26/61Amembassy Moscow to State regarding Oswald.

5/29/61JFK sends cable to all embassies stating that ambassadors are to be in charge of operations.

5/30/61Trujillo assassinated by army leaders.

6/61Discovery satellite photographs begin to yield accurate information.<sup>45</sup>

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<sup>42</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 57-58.

<sup>43</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 92.

<sup>44</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 93.

<sup>45</sup>Jeffreys-Jones, *CIA & American Democracy* 114.

6/28/61NSAM 55: "Relations of the JCS to the President in Cold War Operations." (signed by JFK and directed exclusively to Lemnitzer). Puts paramilitary operations in hands of military rather than CIA.

NSAM 56: "Evaluation of Paramilitary Requirements." (The task of compiling the information was given to Lansdale.)

NSAM 57: required proposals for all paramilitary action be submitted to the Strategic Resources Group.

7/3/61**KEY FBI MEMORANDUM:** FBI Dallas LHM by Fain, subject: Oswald. Memo "[P]redicated on information received by communication of January 11, 1961, from [DIO-8], New Orleans, Louisiana" that Oswald had been given undesirable discharge on 8/17/60. [This happened almost *one year* earlier. Why is *Dallas* interested in Oswald -- who last lived in Fort Worth in 1956? He listed Fort Worth as his last U.S. address, but that was before his defection.] Mentions Oswald's recently expressed desire to return to U.S. Quotes Marguerite as saying that her family lived in Fort Worth from 1945-56 -- when Lee joined Marines. [This is false. They moved back to Fort Worth only in 1956-57.] [Fain seems to be examining earlier FBI reports.] States that photo of Oswald is put in Dallas file.<sup>46</sup>

Robert Lee Oswald had never known previously of any sympathy Lee had for Communism.<sup>47</sup>

Mrs. Oswald also stated that subject had mentioned something about his desire to travel and said something also about the fact that he might go to Cuba."<sup>48</sup>

Oddities: Marguerite Oswald "*currently* residing at 1111 Herring Avenue, Waco, Texas . . ." (p. 2); :Marguerite Oswald "*then employed* at Methodist Orphans Home, 1111 Herring Avenue, Waco, Texas" (p. 6).

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<sup>46</sup>FBI (Fain) Report, 7/3/61 at 5.

<sup>47</sup>FBI (Fain), 7/3/61 at 5.

<sup>48</sup>FBI (Fain), 7/3/61 at 6.



**NEXT KEY FBI MEMORANDUM: 7/10/62.**

7/4/61Maxwell Taylor becomes military representative to JFK. Establishes CI Group, which included RFK. "The first order of business for the CI Group was Cuba."<sup>49</sup>

7/8/61Oswald visits Amembassy in Moscow and acknowledges that he works at a factory in Minsk.<sup>50</sup>

7/10/61Oswald executes "Application for Renewal of Passport" and Questionnaire at Amembassy.<sup>51</sup> [Where are these documents?]

7/11/61Amembassy Moscow to State. Describes meeting with Oswald. Says nothing about statements taken under oath. Requests authorization to renew passport.

7/16/61Oswald meets with Consul Richard Snyder and denies that he ever gave information to the Soviets. Snyder informally advises that there probably will be no prosecution.<sup>52</sup>

7/18/61State Department authorizes issuance of passport to Oswald.<sup>53</sup>

8/61Defense Intelligence Agency created.

8/7/61CIA creates index card placing Oswald on a watch list because of his intention to return to the U.S.<sup>54</sup>

8/11/61NSAM 65: assistance to be provided for 170,000 to 200,000 South Vietnamese

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<sup>49</sup>Powers 135.

<sup>50</sup>FBI Report (Fain), 7/10/62 at 2.

<sup>51</sup>FBI Report (Fain), 7/10/62 at 2.

<sup>52</sup>HSCA Rep. 209-10.

<sup>53</sup>FBI Report (Fain), 7/10/62 at 2.

<sup>54</sup>HSCA Rep. 207.

troops.

8/13/61 Berlin Wall erected.

8/29/61 NSAM 80 provides for modest increase to Laos. JFK effectively rejects much larger proposals offered by Rostow and Rusk.

9/18/61 Dag Hammarskjold dies.

9/30/61 NYT reports all casinos in Cuba are closed.<sup>55</sup>

10/4/61 Oswald asks Amembassy to help him obtain exit visas.<sup>56</sup>

10/11/61 NSAM 104. JFK authorizes one Air Force Jungle Jim Squadron to provide close air support in Vietnam, but not to participate in combat. Although this is a clear escalation, it is much less than nearly all JFK advisors are recommending. At press conference that evening, JFK announces that Taylor will be sent to Vietnam.

10/12/61 Amembassy Moscow to State (cc INR, CIA, not Navy). Discusses communications from Oswald. Memo signed by Boris Klosson [CIA?]

10/13/61 According to Newman, there is already a disparity between the views of JFK and Taylor. JFK is attempting to cut back on the scope of Taylor's possible recommendations.<sup>57</sup>

10/24/61 Taylor cables JFK recommending combat troops be sent to Vietnam.

11/1/61 Taylor again cables JFK recommending combat troops be sent to Vietnam. Taylor's recommendations were a very closely held secret.<sup>58</sup>

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<sup>55</sup>Earman 19-20.

<sup>56</sup>FBI Report (Fain), 7/10/62 at 2.

<sup>57</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 128-29.

<sup>58</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 136.

**11/61OPERATION MONGOOSE LAUNCHED.** Its name would not become public for ten years.<sup>59</sup> Edward Lansdale became director of operations. SG(A) acted as Board of Directors.<sup>60</sup>

11/3/61JFK assigns Lansdale to work on Cuba.<sup>61</sup>

11/9/61JFK acknowledges to Tad Szulc (NYT) that JFK is under pressure to assassinate Castro.<sup>62</sup>

11/11/61NSC meeting discusses draft NSAM 111. *"What McNamara and the Joint Chiefs did not know and had not anticipated as that meeting broke up was that the key provision of the joint memorandum--to commit US combat forces to Vietnam--would be disapproved by the President a week later."*<sup>63</sup>

11/22/61NSAM 111: JFK approves advisers and equipment for Vietnam, but no combat personnel.

"There Kennedy drew the line. He would not go beyond it at any time during the rest of his presidency. . . . *Kennedy turned down combat troops, not when the decision was clouded by ambiguities and contradictions in the reports from the battlefield, but when the battle was unequivocally desperate, when all concerned agreed that Vietnam's fate hung in the balance, and when his principal advisors told him that vital US interests in the region and the world were at stake.*"<sup>64</sup>

11/26/61JFK makes major changes at State. George McGhee, who opposed sending troops to Vietnam, moves into number three position (rather than U. Alexis

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<sup>59</sup>Powers 133.

<sup>60</sup>Helms dep. to Rockefeller Commission, 4/28/75 at 2493.

<sup>61</sup>Reeves, President Kennedy 263.

<sup>62</sup>Kurtz xliv.

<sup>63</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 154.

<sup>64</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 138.

Johnson).

11/27/61McNamara takes charge of Vietnam policy.

11/28/61CIA submits an intelligence estimate to JFK that belittles the potential of any anti-Castro campaign.<sup>65</sup>

11/29/61McCone becomes DCI.

11/30SG(A) for Cuba created. Lansdale named chief of operations. CIA's responsibility to be headed by William Harvey.<sup>66</sup>

12/61McCone takes Cuba away from Bissell and gives it to Helms. Cuba upgraded from Desk in Caribbean Branch to become a branch headed by J.C. King.<sup>67</sup>

12/15/61Golitsyn defects.

12/16/61McNamara holds first of what will be 8 SECDEF conferences on Vietnam during JFK presidency (at CINCPAC headquarters, Fort Smith, Honolulu).

12/22/61First American combat victim in Vietnam.

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<sup>65</sup>Corn, *Blond Ghost* 71 (citing "The Situation and Prospects in Cuba," Special National Intelligence Estimate Number 85-61).

<sup>66</sup>Corn, *Blond Ghost* 71.

<sup>67</sup>Powers 132-33.

## 1962

1/13/62JCS send to JFK (through McNamara) a strongly worded memo suggesting that combat troops will be necessary in Vietnam.<sup>68</sup>

1/15/62Second Vietnam SECDEF conference.

1/18/62NSAM 124 creates Special Group (Counter-Insurgency) to supervise Laos, South Vietnam, and Thailand. Taylor is Chairman. Also on group is RFK, McCone, and Lemnitzer.

1/18/62Lansdale completes nine-page first proposal for Mongoose.<sup>69</sup>

2-3/62Harvey meets with Edwards and takes over anti-Castro operation.<sup>70</sup> Edwards and O'Connell phased out. [O'Connell and Harvey subsequently recall that the operation was ongoing when Harvey took over. Edwards recalls that the operation had been suspended during the preceding year. This version differs in timing from Corn.]<sup>71</sup>

2-10/62SG(A) has 27 meetings during this period.<sup>72</sup>

2/8/62MACV created under CINCPAC.

2/13/62General Paul Harkins takes command of MACV.

2/17/62Helms replaces Bissell.

2/19/62Third SECDEF Vietnam conference. **From this point forward, Harkins,**

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<sup>68</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 163-64.

<sup>69</sup>Corn, *Blond Ghost* 72.

<sup>70</sup>Earman 40.

<sup>71</sup>Earman 47.

<sup>72</sup>McCone 75:18.

**McNamara, and others are giving optimistic official assessments of progress in Vietnam.**<sup>73</sup> See 2/21/62.

2/20/62Lansdale completes detailed plan for overthrowing Castro. To be completed by 10/62.<sup>74</sup>

2/20/62Glenn orbits earth.

2/21/62Despite 2/19/62, US intelligence community continues to give pessimistic assessment of Vietnam that suggests Viet Cong had doubled in the previous six months.<sup>75</sup> See 3/16/62.

3/62John Paul Vann arrives in Vietnam.

3/62?Harvey installs Shackley as Deputy Station Chief at JMWAVE. Shackley effectively runs JMWAVE from this point.<sup>76</sup>

3/3/62Director of Naval Intelligence to ALUSNA, Moscow (cc: CINCUSNAVEUR; CINCUSNAVEUR REP, Germany; ALUSNA Bonn, ALUSNA Helsinki. Memo on Oswald's letter to Connally.

3/16/62First Cosmos satellite launched.

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<sup>73</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 194.

"[R]osy accounts provided to McNamara at this and subsequent SECDEF conferences were exactly the opposite of the bleak situation being detailed by his own intelligence analysts and those at USARPAC as well. Yet McNamara's view of the war effort was based principally on the accounts of his field commanders."

Newman at 225.

<sup>74</sup>Corn, *Blond Ghost* 72 (citing Lansdale, "Subject: The Cuba Project," 2/20/62).

<sup>75</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 195.

<sup>76</sup>Corn, *Blond Ghost* 74.

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3/16/62 McNamara holds optimistic press conference on Vietnam on same date that LBJ is obtaining pessimistic and accurate assessments.<sup>77</sup>

3/19/62 Confidential ONI memorandum on Oswald.<sup>78</sup>

3/22/62 Fourth SECDEF conference (in Honolulu).

**4/62-2/63 PHASE TWO: CIA/MAFIA PLANS TO ASSASSINATE CASTRO.**<sup>79</sup>  
[Rosselli to Maceo -- without Trafficante/Giancana.]

4/4/62 Galbraith memo urges reevaluation of US role in Vietnam. JCS argues against Galbraith. "In just five months the central issue in Vietnam policy had changed from whether or not to send in combat forces to whether or not to reduce the level of advisors."<sup>80</sup>

4/6/62 JFK, Harriman, and Forrestal discuss Galbraith memorandum. JFK states that U.S. should be prepared to seize upon a favorable moment so as to withdraw. [Newman makes this a key moment in the JFK administration.]<sup>81</sup>

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<sup>77</sup>"Why the Vice President was reading an opposite and, as shall be seen, true account of the battlefield situation is one of the great mysteries of the Vietnam War during the Kennedy years. There is incontrovertible proof, however, that accurate details of the failing war effort were provided to Johnson through a privileged intelligence back channel."

Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 225.

"The fact that General Taylor knew the truth is as arresting as the fact that the Vice President knew. Taylor was the President's Military Representative. Did Taylor pass what he knew on to Kennedy? There is nothing in the record or in Taylor's writings that suggests he did so."

Newman 228.

<sup>78</sup>Referenced in 5/3/62 ONI memorandum.

<sup>79</sup>Earman 37-54.

<sup>80</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 236, 237.

<sup>81</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 236, 359.

4/8-9/62Harvey and O'Connell meet with Rosselli in New York.<sup>82</sup> [Dispute over whether Maheu was present at this meeting.]

5/2-4/62Battle and fall of Nam Tha in Laos. CIA White Star team rescued shortly before Pathet Lao overrun of site. Phoumi may have staged battle to demonstrate to JFK Laotian need for assistance.<sup>83</sup>

5/7/62Edwards and Houston meet with RFK to disclose the Phyllis McGuire bugging incident. RFK says: "I trust that if you ever try to do business with organized crime again--with gangsters--you will let the Attorney General know before you do it."<sup>84</sup> [This suggests that RFK was not aware of previous incidents using organized crime and draws into question the Hoover memo of 5/10/62.] Edwards and Houston do not disclose to RFK that Harvey has started a second operation that involves Rosselli. Edwards briefs Harvey on meeting with RFK. Harvey briefs Helms on Edward's meeting with RFK. Second operation not disclosed.<sup>85</sup> Earman Report suggests that the briefing to RFK was "a full and frank account of the Agency's relations with Maheu, Rosselli, and Giancana in the Castro operation, including the wiretapping flap [but] the FBI was not given anything like the same detail."<sup>86</sup> It is fair to conclude that RFK was **not** told about any assassination attempts.<sup>87</sup>

5/8-11/62Fifth SECDEF conference (in Saigon).<sup>88</sup> McNamara shown altered map that gave

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<sup>82</sup>Earman 43.

<sup>83</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 263-64.

<sup>84</sup>Earman 62a.

<sup>85</sup>Earman 65.

<sup>86</sup>Earman 66.

<sup>87</sup>See especially. Colby dep. to SSCI, 5/21/75 at 51-55.

<sup>88</sup>"The SECDEF conferences had become the vehicle through which a fictionalized account of the war was being funneled to the President--through his principal advisor on Vietnam, Robert McNamara." Newman, *JFK and Vietnam*



misleading impression about progress.<sup>89</sup> "This conference was one of the most bizarre meetings of the entire Vietnam war."<sup>90</sup> McNamara was given bad statistics. Captain Blascak: "That is when the big lie started."<sup>91</sup>

After having been given an optimistic assessment, McNamara orders "MACV to devise a plan for turning full responsibility over to South Vietnam and reducing the size of our military command, and to submit this plan at the next conference."<sup>92</sup> Authors of *Pentagon Papers* were unaware of this order.

5/10/62 Hoover writes memo describing meeting with RFK about Maheu anti-Castro assassination matters.<sup>93</sup>

5/10/62 State drafts letter about Oswald.<sup>94</sup>

5/12/62 JFK decides in NSC meeting to send 3000 combat troops to Thailand to shore up commitment to Mekong region.<sup>95</sup> (Most withdrawn by 10/62).<sup>96</sup>

5/14/62 Harvey calls Edwards and informs him that Rosselli will not be used in the future.<sup>97</sup>

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<sup>89</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 248-49.

<sup>90</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 250.

<sup>91</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 255.

<sup>92</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 254.

<sup>93</sup>Church 5:11 n.4.

<sup>94</sup>Referenced in 5/3/62 ONI memorandum.

<sup>95</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 267-68.

<sup>96</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 268.

<sup>97</sup>Earman 42.

6/62Oswald leaves Soviet Union.

6/62O'Connell reassigned to Japan and has no further involvement in Cuban matters.<sup>98</sup>

6/62AMLASH/Cubela recruited.<sup>99</sup>

6/62Nosenko first contacts Americans and becomes a double agent.

6/4/62Oswalds leave Holland on the SS Maasdam.

6/7-14/62Laotian princes reach agreement on government. US promises aid.

6/13/62Oswalds arrive in New York City.<sup>100</sup> Met by Spas T. Raikin.

6/14/62Oswalds fly from New York to Dallas with stop in Atlanta.<sup>101</sup>

6/23/62Souvannah Phouma becomes Laotian Prime Minister; General Phoumi and Souphanouvong become Deputy Prime Ministers.

6/26/62**First of four**<sup>102</sup> **reported FBI interviews with Oswald.** SA John Fain interviews Oswald in Fort Worth office. See 7/10/62, 8/16/62. According to Kelly, "Oswald walked into the Fort Worth FBI office unannounced." "Oswald's surprise visit caught Fain completely off guard."<sup>103</sup>

7/62Fain asks Hosty to check on Marina Oswald. Fain was suspicious of Marina's being able to leave the Soviet Union so easily. "At that time Marina was only the third known case of a Soviet spouse to leave the U.S.S.R. with

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<sup>98</sup>Earman 46.

<sup>99</sup>Corn, *Blond Ghost* 105.

<sup>100</sup>FBI Report (Fain), 7/10/62 at 10, 11.

<sup>101</sup>HSCA Rep. 215.

<sup>102</sup>Two in Dallas pre-assassination; one in New Orleans; interrogation on November 22-23.

<sup>103</sup>Kelly, *The Story of an FBI Director* 259.

a non-Soviet spouse."<sup>104</sup>

7/1/62Algeria votes for independence.

7/10/62**KEY FBI MEMORANDUM:** by Fain (Dallas) on Oswald. (Contains 6/26/62 interview of Oswald.) "Background information concerning subject's stay in Russia." This memo cites the following as sources: (a) March 20, 1962 contact with ONI; (b) June 5, 1962 review of Passport Office files at State; (c) August 22, 1961 review of Passport Office files at State; (d) January 29, 1962 review of Passport Office files at State; (e) September 18, 1961 interview with Robert Oswald; in Fort Worth; (f) October 13, 1961 interview with Marguerite Oswald; (g) October 19, 1961 letter from Mack (at I&NS-Dallas); (h) February 28, 1962 discussion with Passport Office at State; (i) March 27, 1962 interview with office of Special Consular Services at State; (j) March 29, 1962 interview with Abbott at Office of Security, State (about John Edward Pic)<sup>105</sup>; (k) June 5, 1962 review of files of Special Consular Services, State (about repatriation loan); (l) May 4, 1962 interview with *Brigadier General Tompkins*; (m) May 5, 1962 review of Office of Security Files, State; (n) May 18, 1962 interview with Mrs. Robert Oswald; (o) June 4, 1962 interview with Van Cott, Office of Special Consular Services, State; (p) June 8, 1962 newspaper article from Fort Worth Star Telegram; (q) June 8, 1962 newspaper article from Fort Worth Press; (r) June 22, 1962 interview with McDonald of Holland-America; (s) June 22, 1962 review of INS records in New York; (t) June 22, 1962 interview with Wiedersheim of INS; (u) June 26, 1962 interview with Mrs. Robert Oswald; (v) June 26, 1962 interview with Oswald. "Oswald stated that in the event he is contacted by Soviet Intelligence under suspicious circumstances or otherwise, he will promptly communicate with the FBI." (p. 13).<sup>106</sup>

Oddities: "Character" is described as "Internal Security-Russia" rather than "Internal

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<sup>104</sup>Kelly, *The Story of an FBI Director* 259.

<sup>105</sup>Office of Security subsequently stated that FBI took all of its Oswald files shortly after the assassination.

<sup>106</sup>FBI Report (Fain), 7/10/62 at 13.

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Security-R". Cover sheet date is 7/6/62 rather than 7/10/62 (as is first page of memo). The interview of Oswald is dated as 7/6/62.

Hypothesis: written after 11/22/63 at HQ to make FBI look more diligent.

**NEXT KEY FBI MEMORANDUM: 8/30/62.**

7/23/62Laos Accords signed.

7/23/62Sixth SECDEF Conference. McNamara announces that he is prepared to announce victory and bring the troops back to the US.<sup>107</sup>

7/25/62JCS directs CINCPAC to develop Comprehensive Plan for South Vietnam (CPSVN) for staged withdrawal.

"Thus began the lengthy paper trial on the Kennedy withdrawal plan for Vietnam. That it was based on a wholly unrealistic view of the war at the creation was unfortunate, but that view continued to be fed by a steady stream of good news."<sup>108</sup>

8/5/62Marilyn Monroe dies.

8/10/62SG(A) meeting in Rusk's office to discuss "a new phase of the Mongoose operation."<sup>109</sup> McNamara raised [whether favorably or unfavorably is not clear] the subject of liquidation of Cuban leaders. The discussion resulted in a Project Mongoose action memorandum by Lansdale -- where he summarized the meeting in his 8/14 [or 8/13?] memo saying that assassination plots should not be put into writing.<sup>110</sup> Mention of assassination at this meeting was "unrelated to any actual attempts at assassination."<sup>111</sup>

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<sup>107</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 285.

<sup>108</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 287-88.

<sup>109</sup>McCone 75:34.

<sup>110</sup>Earman 7.

<sup>111</sup>Earman 118.

RFK not in attendance.<sup>112</sup> McCone insists that assassination was not approved and that he and Murrow made their opposition clear. McCone cannot recollect whether it was McNamara who proposed assassinations.<sup>113</sup>

8/13/62Lansdale memo includes language "including liquidation of leaders."<sup>114</sup> When Helms sees this language he "pointed out to Frank Hand the inadmissibility and stupidity of putting this kind of comment in writing in such a document."<sup>115</sup>

8/16/62Second of four reported FBI interviews with Oswald: Special Agent Fain and Special Agent Arnold Brown interview Oswald in Fain's automobile on Mercedes Street in Fort Worth. See 8/10/63; 8/30/62. The session lasted nearly two hours. According to Kelly, from this date forward, Oswald used P.O. Box numbers for his address.<sup>116</sup>

8/21/62McNamara takes extremely aggressive view towards Cuba in SG(A) meeting. See 8/23/62.<sup>117</sup>

8/23/62Kennedy orders "Course B," stepped up planning for attacks on Castro.<sup>118</sup>

8/30/62**KEY FBI MEMORANDUM:** by Fain (Dallas) on Oswald who was "reinterviewed on 8/16/62, and stated contact made with Soviet Embassy . . . ." Oswald said it was "nobody's business" why he went to the Soviet Union." "OSWALD agreed to report to FBI any information concerning contacts or attempted contacts by Soviets under suspicious

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<sup>112</sup>McCone 75:37.

<sup>113</sup>McCone 75:51.

<sup>114</sup>Helms dep. to Rockefeller Commission, 4/28/75 at 2493.

<sup>115</sup>Helms dep. to Rockefeller Commission, 4/28/75 at 2493.

<sup>116</sup>Kelly, *The Story of an FBI Director* 260-61.

<sup>117</sup>Corn, *Blond Ghost* 87.

<sup>118</sup>Corn, *Blond Ghost* 87.

circumstances. Background information on MARINA OSWALD reported. OSWALD and wife unknown to confidential informants. "[H]e promised his cooperation in reporting to FBI any information coming to his attention." (p. 6).

Oddities: this memorandum shows no apparent awareness of 7/10/62 memorandum. Part of investigation conducted by Hosty.

**NEXT KEY FBI MEMORANDUM: 9/10/63.**

9/11/62 Maxwell Taylor in Vietnam on factfinding mission. He is about to become Chairman, JCS.

9/28/62 NSAM 189 orders all US troops out of Laos by 10/7/62.

10/62 State Department prepares memo on developments in Vietnam between Taylor's visits in 1961 and 1962. Reports there had been a "dramatic" improvement in morale.

10/62 SA Fain retires from FBI.<sup>119</sup> Oswald's file was not reassigned.<sup>120</sup> According to Kelly: "it seemed curious to Agent Hosty in the Dallas office that the file was allowed to be closed. There were, in fact, two Oswald files, and both had been misclassified according to Jim Hosty."<sup>121</sup>

10/8/62 Seventh SECDEF conference.

10/12/62 Oswald begins work at Jaggars-Chiles-Stovall, where he will stay for 6 months.

10/14/62 U-2 flight over Cuba gives dispositive evidence of Soviet missile sites.

10/22/62 JFK announces missile sites found on Cuba.

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<sup>119</sup>WR.

<sup>120</sup>Kelly, *The Story of an FBI Director* 261.

<sup>121</sup>Kelly, *The Story of an FBI Director* 261.

10/23/62Quarantine imposed on Cuba.

12/62Castro releases Bay of Pigs survivors.

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## 1963

1/2/63 Battle of Ap Bac.

2/63 Oswalds meet Ruth Paine at party.<sup>122</sup>

2/17/63 Marina sends request to Soviet Embassy asking to return to Soviet Union.<sup>123</sup>

3/63 Newman believes that by this time JFK had decided to withdraw from Vietnam.<sup>124</sup>

3/3/63 Oswalds allegedly move from 602 Elsbeth, Dallas, to 214 West Neely, Dallas, because their landlady kicked them out because of Oswald's drinking and abuse to Marina.<sup>125</sup>

3/6/63 In press conference, JFK makes statement suggesting his intent to stay in Vietnam. [According to Newman, JFK believes that withdrawal prior to the 1964 elections would hurt his chance of reelection. He intends to withdraw completely after the elections. "Unfortunately for the President's plan, the situation in Vietnam would not hold until the next American election, for it was about to take a sudden and violent turn for the worse."]<sup>126</sup>

3/25/63 [FBI Dallas to HQ. Opening Oswald file?]

3/26/63 FBI Dallas reopens Oswald file.

3/31/63 Marina allegedly takes pictures of Oswald with rifle at Neely Street residence.

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<sup>122</sup>Kelly, *The Story of an FBI Director* 262.

<sup>123</sup>Kelly, *The Story of an FBI Director* 263.

<sup>124</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 320-21.

<sup>125</sup>FBI memorandum, 3/25/63.

<sup>126</sup>See Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 321-25 (esp. 325).



4/63Oswald allegedly distributes "Hands Off" literature in Dallas.<sup>127</sup>

4/1/63John Paul Vann drafts Senior Advisor's Final Report before leaving Vietnam. He is critical of the Strategic Hamlet program.

4/6/63Oswald loses job at Jagers-Chiles-Stovall.

4/10/63Shot fired at General Walker's house.

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<sup>127</sup>See Hosty memorandum, 9/10/63.

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## OSWALD IN NEW ORLEANS

4-5/63Oswald moves to New Orleans and stays with Dutz and Lillian Murrets. Finds job at Reily Coffee Company. Sends for Marina and they move to Magazine Street.

4/17/63New National Intelligence Estimate on Vietnam reflects McCone's *de facto* pursuit of an optimistic figure.<sup>128</sup>

4/18/63Wood reports to Hilsman that McNamara will tell Pentagon to withdraw 1,000 troops from Vietnam by the end of the year.<sup>129</sup>

5/63According to *Pentagon Papers*, planning begins for covert operations against North Vietnam (CINCPAC OPLAN 34-63). Newman dates beginning of events leading to Gulf of Tonkin at this point.<sup>130</sup> See 6/17/63, 9/9/63.

5/6/63Eighth SECDEF conference on Vietnam "confirms gratifying progress." McNamara wants pull-out plan to be expedited. McNamara asks for concrete plan for 1,000 troop withdrawal.<sup>131</sup>

5/8/63SVN troops fire on Buddhists in Hue.

5-6/63Mounting Buddhist protests in South Vietnam and violent response by government.<sup>132</sup> JFK believes that he has not adequately been informed of potential problems between Diem and Buddhists.<sup>133</sup>

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<sup>128</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 313-14.

<sup>129</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 359.

<sup>130</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 375-77.

<sup>131</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 316.

<sup>132</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 332-33.

<sup>133</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 334.

5/15/63Oswald obtains job at Reily Coffee Co. Terminated 7/19/63.<sup>134</sup>

5/15/63Hosty returns to Neely Street, but finds Oswalds have moved and left no forwarding address.

5/23-6/14/63U.S. government beginning contingency plans in event of coup in South Vietnam.<sup>135</sup>

5/27/63FBI Dallas (Hosty): "attempt to interview subjects under pretext." FBI learns Oswalds have moved, but does not know where. [FBI Dallas apparently does not know Oswalds are in New Orleans.]

6/63AMTRUNK operation in Cuba is a failure.

6/63Harvey, meeting with Rosselli, learns that FBI is watching Rosselli. Harvey decides to break contacts with Rosselli.<sup>136</sup>

6/10/63Oswald writes to *Daily Worker* and announces he has formed branch of FPCC in New Orleans.

6/12/63Without JFK's knowledge or authorization, Diem warned that he must change relationship with Buddhists or face consequences of change in attitude of U.S.<sup>137</sup>

6/16/63Oswald distributes FPCC literature to sailors disembarking from U.S.S. Wasp.<sup>138</sup>

6/17/63JCS staff completes plans for CINCPAC OPLAN 34-63.<sup>139</sup> See 9/9/63.

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<sup>134</sup>Kaack Report on Oswald, 10/31/63 at 2.

<sup>135</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 334-35.

<sup>136</sup>Earman 54.

<sup>137</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 334.

<sup>138</sup>WC Rep. 291, 407.

<sup>139</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 376.

6/19/63 According to Senate Report, JFK decided CIA should undertake riskier plots against Cuba.<sup>140</sup>

6/24/63 Oswald applies for passport, which is issued the following day.<sup>141</sup>

6/27/63 Harvey, preparing for his reassignment to Rome, writes that the original justification for employing QJWIN no longer applies. [Was QJWIN terminated at this point?]

6/28/63 CIA memorandum acknowledges shift in attitudes of South Vietnamese from apathy to opposition to government.<sup>142</sup>

7/4/63 JFK listens to his advisors talk about possibility of coup against Diem. Coincidentally, General Tran Van Don meets with Lucien Conien and proposes coup.<sup>143</sup>

7/19/63 Oswald loses job at Reily Coffee Co. because of "inefficiency and inattention to work."<sup>144</sup> Filed unemployment claims for the remainder of the summer.<sup>145</sup> [On 9/10/63, Hosty believes Oswald is still working at Reily.]

8/63 Nuclear Test Ban Treaty signed.

8/5/63 Oswald meets with Bringuier of DRE and seeks to join anti-Castro groups. He is rebuffed.

8/9/63 Oswald arrested on Canal Street after getting into scuffle with Bringuier.

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<sup>140</sup>Corn, *Blond Ghost* 103, 431.

<sup>141</sup>WC Rep. 727.

<sup>142</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 335.

<sup>143</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 337.

<sup>144</sup>WC Rep. 726.

<sup>145</sup>HSCA Rep. 141.

8/10/63 **Third of four recorded official FBI interviews with Oswald: Special Agent John Quigley, at Oswald's request, interviews Oswald in New Orleans jail cell. See 8/16/62. NOTE: THIS INTERVIEW IS NOT REPORTED UNTIL 10/25/63 -- AFTER OSWALD IS REPORTED TO HAVE VISITED SOVIET EMBASSY IN MEXICO CITY.** Oswald *interview is not mentioned in* 8/21/63 report from HQ, 8/23/63 report from Dallas; 9/10/63 report from Dallas, or the 9/24/63(a) report from New Orleans or 9/24/63 (b) report from New Orleans to HQ; 10/22/63 FBI HQ to Mexico City Legat; 10/25/63 report from New Orleans to HQ (not the De Brueys report).

8/16/63 Story breaks in Chicago Sun Times that CIA is linked to Giancana in conjunction with the Phyllis McGuire matter.<sup>146</sup>

8/16/63 Oswald distributes pro-Castro literature across the street from the International Trade Mart. He was filmed by a local television station that broadcast a clip on the evening news.

8/16/63 McCone briefed on Maheu plot to assassinate Castro. McCone testifies that this is the first time he heard of any plots to assassinate Castro.<sup>147</sup> This is consistent with Earman Report.<sup>148</sup>

8/17/63 Oswald interviewed by William Stuckey on radio program. The piece was cut to five minutes and broadcast that night. Although Stuckey wanted to broadcast a longer piece, he was told to arrange for a radio debate between Oswald and some anti-Castro Cubans.<sup>149</sup>

8/21/63 Diem orders martial law and arrests 1,400 Buddhists.

8/21/63 According to FBI, **Oswald appears on radio talk show on WDSU with Edward**

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<sup>146</sup>Earman 67.

<sup>147</sup>McCone 75:8.

<sup>148</sup>Earman 70.

<sup>149</sup>WC Rep. 407, 729.

**Scannell Butler.**<sup>150</sup> Carlos Bringuier not mentioned in FBI report. FBI report also does not mention TV broadcast.

8/21/63FBI New Orleans memo about Oswald. Does not mention that FBI agent interviewed Oswald in jail eleven days earlier.

8/21/63FBI HQ to New Orleans. Notes that Oswald was arrested on 8/9/63 and instructs immediate follow-up. Memo is unaware that Oswald was interviewed in jail.

8/22/63Lodge arrives in South Vietnam to replace Nolting as ambassador.

8/23/63FBI Dallas to FBI New Orleans. Assumes Oswald is working at Reily and has 4905 Magazine Street address. New Orleans will become originating office.

8/24/63Lodge meets with various Vietnamese officials and sends three cables to Washington. Hilsman responds with "Saturday night special" cable.

"but if [Diem] remains obdurate, then we are prepared to accept the obvious implication that we can no longer support Diem. You may also tell appropriate military commanders we will give them direct support in any interim period of breakdown [of the] central government."

There is a dispute later about who authored and approved the cable. There are sharp disputes in Washington and the Saigon embassy about what should be done.

8/31/63Vietnamese generals decide against coup at this point.

8-9/63Siting of Oswald, Ferrie, and Shaw at Clinton, Louisiana.

9/2/63Cronkite interviews JFK.

9/7/63Castro meets with Daniel Harker and warns against US terrorist plots against Cubans.

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<sup>150</sup>FBI SA Kaack Report, 10/31/63 at 11.

9/8/63Krulak (JCS) and Mendenhall (State) arrive in Saigon for short fact-finding mission.

9/9/63Taylor, acting on his own, approves going forward in plans for covert operations against North Vietnam. These plans are probably CINCPAC OPLAN 34-63. See 5/63, 6/17/63. According to Newman, these plans will lead to Gulf of Tonkin. See 5/63.<sup>151</sup>

9/10/63**FBI SA Hosty writes report on Oswald. Although he has contacted New Orleans, he apparently is unaware that: Oswald was fired from Riley; Oswald was arrested during FPCC scuffle; FBI agent interviewed Oswald in cell; Oswald was on radio and TV describing his Marxist views. Hosty also reports that he has information from 4/63 that Oswald was distributing "Hands Off" literature in Dallas.**

9/10/63Krulak and Mendenhall return from fact-finding mission to Vietnam and report to JFK. Krulak says the war is going well and that progress is being made. Mendenhall reports breakdown of civil government and that there is more opposition to Diem than to Viet Cong. JFK asks whether they visited the same country.

9/11/63JFK decides to warn Diem and to withhold aid decisions for a few days.<sup>152</sup> On orders from McNamara, Taylor schedules first increment of 1,000 troop withdrawal from Vietnam.

9/17/63In conversation with Daniel Harker, Castro warns against threats to him.

9/17/63Oswald and Gaudet apply for entry papers for Mexico.<sup>153</sup>

9/21/63McNamara and Taylor begin fact-finding mission in Vietnam.

9/23/63According to Kelly: "The Bureau again lost touch with Oswald when he left New Orleans. Agent Hosty was not advised that Oswald was missing until

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<sup>151</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 375-77.

<sup>152</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 382.

<sup>153</sup>Summers, *Conspiracy* 334; HSCA Rep. 218.

October 3."<sup>154</sup>

9/24/63 **FBI New Orleans short report on Oswald [173-10011-10109.]** See 10/31/63.

This report does not mention that Oswald was interviewed by FBI in jail on 8/10/63. [Why not?]

9/26/63? Approximate date of alleged visit of Leopoldo, Angelo, and Leon Oswald to Silvia and Annie Odio.

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<sup>154</sup>Kelly, *The Story of an FBI Director* 267.

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## "OSWALD IN MEXICO CITY"

9/26/63Oswald on Continental Trailways bus from southern Texas to Mexico City.<sup>155</sup>

9/28/63CIA reports individual identifying himself as Oswald contacts Kostikov in Soviet embassy.<sup>156</sup>

10/63CIA Saigon COS John Richardson recalled from Vietnam.<sup>157</sup>

10/1/63Oswald contacted Soviet embassy in Mexico City according to 10/9/63 cable.<sup>158</sup>

10/2/63According to Win Scott, Oswald boards Bus 340 of Transportes Fronteras for Laredo, Texas at 8:30 a.m.

10/2/63Report ostensibly written by McNamara and Taylor is delivered to JFK. According to Newman, JFK essentially instructs McNamara and Taylor to call for a 1,000 troop withdrawal by end of 1963 and complete withdrawal by end of 1965. JFK says that all of his advisers agree. JFK does not publicly state he agrees or disagrees with the McNamara/Taylor proposal. No withdrawal plan is made public at this time.<sup>159</sup> See 10/11/63.

10/3/63According to Win Scott, Oswald arrives by bus at Laredo at 1:35 p.m. [Documents say that Oswald arrived by car. After assassination, Hosty finds bus ticket *to* Mexico City, but not *from* Mexico City.]

### Win Scott's version:

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<sup>155</sup>Summers, *Conspiracy* 343.

<sup>156</sup>HSCA Rep. 249. WR acknowledges that Oswald met with KGB agent Kostikov. WR Rep. 734.

<sup>157</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 411.

<sup>158</sup>HSCA Rep. 248-49.

<sup>159</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 404-07.

***Contemporary knowledge of Oswald's activities.*** "Lee Harvey Oswald became a person of great interest to us during this 27 September to 2 October, 1963 period." "[O]n page 777 of the [Warren Commission] report the erroneous statement was made that it was not known that Oswald had visited the Cuban Embassy until after the assassination." "Every piece of information concerning Lee Harvey Oswald was reported immediately after it was received to: U.S. Ambassador Thomas C. Mann, by memorandum; the FBI Chief in Mexico, by memorandum; and to my headquarters by cable; and included in each and every one of these reports was the conversation Oswald had, so far as it was known. These reports were made on all his contacts with both the Cuban Consulate and with the Soviets." "Because we thought at first that Lee Harvey Oswald might be a dangerous potential defector from the U.S.A. to the Soviet Union, he was of great interest to us, so we kept a special watch on him and his activities. Oswald contacted Soviet Embassy on at least four occasions. He was observed on all his visits to each of the two communist embassies; and his conversations with personnel of these embassies were studied in detail, so far as we could get them." "Soon after his arrival and first talk with the Soviets, we received a brief sketch on Lee Harvey Oswald from headquarters . . ." [Scott version of what HQ sent includes much more information than is in the 10/10/63 cable -- including there being no mention of the fact that Oswald had returned from the Soviet Union.] "When one studies the conversations Oswald is known to have had with officials of both these embassies of communism, it is evident that there are sufficient data for at least a suspicion that Oswald worked for the Soviets." "Persons watching these embassies photographed Oswald as he entered and left each one; and clocked the time he spent on each visit."

**Clarence Kelly's version:**

***Contemporary knowledge of Oswald's activities.*** "Central Intelligence Agency headquarters in Washington knew of the Oswald-Kostikov meeting in Mexico City right after it happened." (270).

***Meeting with Kostikov.*** "It was known at the time by members of the United States intelligence community, including the [CIA HQ, FBI's Soviet espionage section] but not by the Dallas or New Orleans field offices (thus not by Agent Hosty)--that Oswald spoke with . . . Kostikov at the Russian Embassy in Mexico City." (268). "Central Intelligence Agency headquarters in Washington knew of the Oswald-Kostikov meeting in Mexico City right after it happened." (270).

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***Oswald knowledge of plan to assassinate Castro.*** "It appeared that Oswald confided to the Soviets and the Cubans that he had information on a CIA plot to assassinate Fidel Castro. He would, he promised, provide all of this highly classified information in exchange for Soviet and Cuban visas for his family and himself respectively." (268).

***Oswald threats to kill JFK.*** At the Soviet embassy "he definitely offered to kill President Kennedy." (269) "He may well have offered to kill President Kennedy for the Soviets. This we will probably never know for sure. Oswald did offer to kill President Kennedy for the Cubans." (273).

**J. Edgar Hoover's 6/17/64 letter to Rankin about information from Castro:**

"According to our source, Castro recently is reported to have said, "Our people in Mexico gave us the details in a full report of how he (Oswald) acted when he came to Mexico to their embassy (uncertain whether he means Cuban or Russian Embassy)." Castro further related, "First of all, nobody ever goes that way for a visa. Second, it costs money to go that distance. He (Oswald) stormed into the embassy, demanded the visa, and when it was refused to him, headed out saying, 'I'm going to kill Kennedy for this.'"

**Ann Goodpasture's Recommendation for Career Intelligence Medal (by David Atlee Phillips):**

"She was the case officer who was responsible for the identification of Lee Harvey Oswald in his dealings with the *Cuban* Embassy in Mexico."

## OSWALD IN DALLAS

10/3/63Oswald returns to Dallas according to WR.

10/4/63CIA requests two copies of recent photograph of Oswald from Navy.<sup>160</sup>

10/9/63CIA Mexico City informs CIA HQ that Oswald contacted Soviet embassy on 10/1/63. HQ not told that Oswald sought visa nor of his visit to the Cuban embassy.<sup>161</sup>

10/10/63CIA HQ cables FBI, INS, and Navy conveying substance of Mexico City station report of 10/9/63. [There were no reports on visiting the Cuban embassy.] On same date CIA HQ sends lengthy cable to Mexico City about Oswald, and tells station to convey information to FBI, INS, and State attaches in Mexico City. No agency asks for follow-up.<sup>162</sup>

10/11/63NSAM 263 directs implementation of 1,000 troop withdrawal. No public announcement.

10/14/63Oswald rents room at 1026 North Beckley.

10/16/63Oswald begins work at TSBD.

10/18/63FBI Legat Mexico City to HQ. Reports Oswald visited Kostikov, identified as a consul, in Soviet embassy.

10/19/63Check of files at FBI HQ.

10/22/63INR (Thomas Hughes) issues RFE-90 that describes deteriorating state of war effort in Vietnam.<sup>163</sup>

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<sup>160</sup>HSCA Rep. 224-25. N.B. date may be a typo in HSCA and correct date might be 10/24/63.

<sup>161</sup>HSCA Rep. 248-49.

<sup>162</sup>Information Developed by CIA, 1/31/64 at 3.

<sup>163</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 419.

10/22/63FBI Dallas to FBI HQ: Hosty has learned that Oswald visited Soviet embassy in Mexico City.

Background: Hosty, while reviewing Oswald's file at INS, learns by accident that Oswald visited the Soviet embassy in Mexico City. INS agent will not say more. Hosty immediately cables New Orleans for information about Oswald in Mexico City. New Orleans responds by registered mail.<sup>164</sup> Hosty has apparently learned nothing from FBI channels.

10/22/63FBI HQ to Legat Mexico City.

10/24/63CIA sends cable 77978 to Navy requesting recent photograph of Lee Henry Oswald.<sup>165</sup>

10/24/63FBI HQ to SAC New Orleans. Forwards 10/18/63 cablegram. Dallas does not receive copy.

10/25/63FBI SA De Brueys (New Orleans) writes report on Fair Play for Cuba Committee. (NO 97-74; BU 97-4196-33). It includes Quigley's jail interview of Oswald.

Oddities: (a) the *text* of the report does *not* refer to FBI interview of Oswald on 8/10/63, but includes a summary of that interview; (b) the report describes events that happened *two* months earlier; (c) the report was not written until *after* Oswald visited Mexico City and after the New Orleans FBI had been notified of the visit; (d) the report does not refer to Mexico City; (e) the interview seems pasted on at the end rather than being integrated.

10/30/63FBI Dallas to FBI HQ. Marina located; trying to find Oswald.

**10/31/63FBI New Orleans SA Kaack writes report on Oswald.**

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<sup>164</sup>Kelly, *The Story of an FBI Director* 272.

<sup>165</sup>HSCA Rep. 225.

Oddities: (a) the report does not refer to the De Brueys report finished only six days earlier -- although Kaack would have had to see the report because he attached the Quigley interview; (b) the report does *not* refer to the 8/16/63 arrest (although the De Brueys report does); (c) the report does not refer to the trip to Mexico, although New Orleans had been informed of it; (d) does not include the "dmk" initials of the DeBrueys version of the memo..

10-11/63Reports on Vietnam: "a sudden convergence of effort to show that the war was failing--using MVAC's statistics."<sup>166</sup>

11/63According to *Pentagon Papers*, the Pentagon begins to realize that the situation was much worse than had been recognized during the preceding year.<sup>167</sup>

11/1/63Hosty drives to Ruth Paine's home in Irving and interviews her. She tells Hosty that he works in the Texas School Book Depository. Marina walks in during interview.

11/2/63Diem assassinated.

11/4/63FBI Dallas to HQ, New Orleans, Little Rock. **Oswald employed by the Texas School Book Depository, 411 Elm Street.**

11/5/63FBI Little Rock to FBI HQ. Robert Oswald moved to Denton, Texas.

11/8/63Oswald visits FBI office in Dallas and leaves note for Hosty.

11/9/63Oswald writes letter to Soviet embassy in Washington. Letter postmarked 11/12/63.

11/14/63ONI file envelope "REC'D 14 November 1963" and "CIA 77978" containing Oswald photograph from time of induction.

11/15/63FBI New Orleans to HQ. Marina file being transferred to Dallas.

11/17/63Marina attempts to telephone Oswald, but is unable to reach him because she does

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<sup>166</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 422.

<sup>167</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 429.

not know he is using an alias.

11/18/63 Marina and Oswald argue over the telephone.

11/18/63 In Miami speech JFK vows no more Cubas in Western Hemisphere and refers to Castro as among "a small band of conspirators."

11/19/63 FBI New Orleans to HQ: transfer of Oswald file to Dallas.

11/20/63 Hawaii meeting including Rusk, McNamara, Lodge, Taylor, Felt, and Harkins. McGeorge Bundy, McCone, Forrestal in attendance at some meetings. The group was given a very pessimistic version of situation in Vietnam. Harkins and Lodge say that they completely agree about situation, which is different from what they had been saying before.

<sup>168</sup>

Colby advises against using covert military actions in North Vietnam arguing that it will not work. McNamara rejects his advice. Colby: "The desire to put pressure onto North Vietnam prevailed, and there and then the United States military started the planning and activity that would escalate finally to full-scale air attacks."<sup>169</sup>

McNamara and Lodge leave during the night and return to Washington on 11/21. Others stay for 11/22/63 flight to Tokyo.

11/21/63 Bundy writes Draft NSAM 273 in White House.<sup>170</sup>

11/22/63 JFK assassinated.

11/22/63 (a) Hosty ordered to cooperate fully with Dallas police. (b) Hosty meets Oswald for the first time in interview room. (c) Hosty subsequently ordered off the investigation and ordered to tell Dallas police nothing.<sup>171</sup> [Hosty

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<sup>168</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 429ff.

<sup>169</sup>Colby, *Honorable Men* 220. See also Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 434-35.

<sup>170</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 438ff.

<sup>171</sup>Kelly, *The Story of an FBI Director* 294.

will subsequently be put back on the investigation.]

11/22/63CIA (probably not FitzGerald) meets with AMLASH in Paris.

11/22/63Castro meets with French journalist Jean Daniel who has message from JFK.

11/22/63Ferrie is in New Orleans courtroom in connection with Marcello matter. Marcello was acquitted Ferrie leaves that night to drive to Houston.

11/22/63?After assassination, CIA investigates other Oswald activities in Mexico City and learns that Oswald visited the Cuban embassy.<sup>172</sup>

11/22/63Shanklin writes memo stating that FBI Dallas has CIA information on Oswald from Mexico City and that Eldon D. Rudd will be flying in that evening from Mexico City.

11/23/63Ferrie drives from Houston to Galveston.

11/23/63FBI memo to Secret Service about Oswald in Mexico City. Reports that Dallas FBI agents have been shown CIA photographs and have heard CIA tapes, but believe that the individual in question is not Oswald. FBI later says that the agents read a transcript and did not hear any tapes.<sup>173</sup>

11/23-25/63Silvia Duran under arrest by Mexican police.

11/24/63Ferrie drives from Galveston to New Orleans.

11/24/633:00 p.m. LBJ's first Vietnam meeting as President. Announces he will not lose Vietnam and that he wants no more division of opinions.

11/24/63Hoover to LBJ: "The thing I am most concerned about . . . is having something issued so we can convince the public that Oswald is the real assassin."<sup>174</sup>

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<sup>172</sup>Information Developed by CIA, 1/31/64 at 4.

<sup>173</sup>HSCA Rep. 249-50.

<sup>174</sup>HSCA Rep. 244.



11/25/63 Ferrie turns himself in to Garrison.

11/26/63 LBJ signs NSAM 273. The new draft includes plans for action against North Vietnam.

11/27/63 CIA reports that Lopez is only passenger on flight from Mexico City to Havana.<sup>175</sup>

11/29/63 Hoover memo recounting briefing to "George Bush of the CIA."

11/29/63 Hoover memo: "I advised the President that we hope to have the investigation wrapped up today, but probably won't have it before the first of the week, due to an additional lead being pursued in Mexico."<sup>176</sup>

12/63 OPLAN 34-63 is approved and becomes OPLAN 34-A.

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<sup>175</sup>Benson, Who's Who 256.

<sup>176</sup>HSCA Rep. 244.

## 1964

1/64Nosenko says that he wishes to defect.

1/30/64General Nguyen Khanh launches coup that topples Big Minh's junta.

1/31/64CIA internal report "Information Developed by CIA on the Activity of Lee Harvey OSWALD in Mexico City, 28 September - 3 October 1963)." Reports, *inter alia*, that Oswald met with Kostikov of the 13th Department. "The Thirteenth Department headquarters, according to very reliable information, conducts interviews or, as appropriate, file reviews on every foreign military defector to the USSR to study and to determine the possibility of utilizing the defector in his country of origin."<sup>177</sup>

2/4/64Nosenko defects to West.

6/17/64Hoover to Rankin letter disclosing information received from confidential source from Castro about Lee Harvey Oswald. (See Oswald in Mexico City above.)

7/31/64SG(A) meeting discusses anti-Castro group's plot to assassinate Castro.<sup>178</sup>

8/64Gulf of Tonkin incidents.

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<sup>177</sup>Information Developed by CIA, 1/31/64 at 11.

<sup>178</sup>Earman 7.

## 1965

5/30/65McCone leaves CIA.

6/65Shackley leaves JM/WAVE.<sup>179</sup>

## 1966

## 1967

1967Rosselli reveals existence of CIA assassination plots against Castro to Jack Anderson.

1967Revelations about CIA's funding of National Student Association.

3/67FBI investigates reports that Castro may be behind JFK assassination. Report not yet made public.<sup>180</sup> CIA Inspector General subsequently makes report and delivers it to LBJ.<sup>181</sup>

6/23/72Nixon's "smoking gun" tape suggests connection between Kennedy assassination and Cuba.

1973Helms orders destruction of MKULTRA records.

1974Hughes-Ryan Amendment mandates disclosure to 8 congressional committees.

12/22/74Seymour Hersh publishes article exposing CIA's domestic surveillance.

1975Congressional hearings throughout 1975 on CIA abuses.

1975Association of Former Intelligence Officers (AFIO) formed.

6/75Rockefeller Commission issues final report.

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<sup>179</sup>Corn, *Blond Ghost* 116.

<sup>180</sup>HR 11/17/93 at 54.

<sup>181</sup>HR 11/17/93 at 54.

8/31/75 *Dallas Times Herald* breaks story about the Hosty note.

11/75 Ford decides to replace Colby with Bush. Schlesinger fired from Defense.  
Scowcroft replaces Kissinger.

12/75 CIA Athans Station Chief Richard Welsh murdered.

1976 KH-11 (codename KENNAN) is operational. Mission Ground Site is at Ft. Belvoir,  
Virginia.<sup>182</sup>

1/76 Bush becomes DCI.

2/76 EO 11905 abolishes USIB, IRAC, NSC Intelligence Committee, 40 Committee.  
Intelligence Oversight Board (IOB) created.<sup>183</sup>

2/11/76 Church Committee releases its recommendations.

4/76 Church Committee releases final report.

5/76 National Foreign Intelligence Board (NFIB) created.<sup>184</sup>

5/19/76 U.S. Senate votes 77 to 22 to create Select Committee On Intelligence.

6/76 Church Committee issues Book V: The Investigation of the Assassination of President  
John F. Kennedy.

1977 TRW employee Christopher Boyce sells CIA communications codes to the Soviet  
Union.

5/77 Carter abolishes PFIAB.

7/77 Creation of House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence.

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<sup>182</sup>Richelson, *The U.S. Intelligence Community* (2d) 147.

<sup>183</sup>Lowenthal, *U.S. Intelligence* 107. But see *ibid* 43 (2/75).

<sup>184</sup>Lowenthal, *U.S. Intelligence* 43.

8/77DCI Turner announces planned reduction of 800 positions in DDO.

1978Former low-level CIA employee William Kampiles sells KH-11 manual to the Soviet Union.

6/18/79Carter and Breshnev sign SALT II.

11/79Seizure of U.S. Embassy in Tehran.

12/79Soviet Union invades Afghanistan.

1/80Carter asks Senate to defer indefinitely floor debate on START II.

1/80National Intelligence Council created.

12/4/81Reagan issues EO 12333 on role of DCI.

10/18/84KH-8 and KH-9 no longer operational..<sup>185</sup>

1989Soviet Satellite empire collapses.

1991Soviet Union collapses.

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<sup>185</sup>Richelson, *The U.S. Intelligence Community* (2d) 147.

## B.NAMES

Alba, Adrian Proprietor of Crescent City Garage, next door to Reily Coffee Co. Oswald acquaintance. Observed Oswald at Mancuso's restaurant, located on ground floor of 544 Camp Street. Made allegations about possible informant role for Oswald.<sup>186</sup>

Allen, George DIA analyst from 1961-63.

Angleton, James Jesus Head of CIA Counter-Intelligence Division.

Anthis, Roland H. Brigadier General. Commander, US Second Air Division; Chief, US Air Force Advisory Group, Vietnam (1962-).

Artime, Manuel CIA's military leader for Bay of Pigs. Founded MRR. Even after missile crisis, Artime probably had Kennedy support, at least initially.<sup>187</sup> Probably in Nicaragua at time of JFK assassination. Friend of E. Howard Hunt.

Atwood, William US Delegate to U.N. in 1963. Involved in arranging secret negotiations with Castro.

Bannerman, Robert Deputy Director of Security. Shef Edwards's deputy circa 1960-61.<sup>188</sup>

Bayo, Eddie See Eduardo Perez.

Bethel, Paul According to Fonzi, an extreme right-winger, friend of Phillips, former press attache in Havana. Fonzi 237. USIA affiliation. Fonzi 321. Press officer in Tokyo while Oswald at Atsugi. Fonzi 321.

Billings, Richard HSCA staff. Former writer for *Life*. Tied to Pawley, Martino. Fonzi 57.

Bishop, Maurice Fonzi and Summers believe that Bishop was David Atlee Phillips.

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<sup>186</sup>HSCA Rep. 146, 193-94.

<sup>187</sup>Corn, *Blond Ghost* 97-98.

<sup>188</sup>Earman 31.

Identified by McCone and Henry.<sup>189</sup>

Bissell, Richard M. Jr. CIA Deputy Director for Plans (1959-62). Replaced by Richard Helms. In 1960 asked Shef Edwards to make contact with gambling syndicate to assassinate Castro--although the word "assassinate" was not used.<sup>190</sup> "Father of the U-2 program." Fired following the Bay of Pigs.

Bosch, Orlando Cuban exile terrorist. Best known and most violent. Fonzi 243. Established CORU in 1970s.

Ball, George Under Secretary of State for Economic Affairs (1961). Replaces Bowles as Under Secretary of State (1962-).

Bowles, Chester Under Secretary of State (1961 only).

Bundy, McGeorge Assistant for National Security Affairs (1961).

Burris, Howard Air Force Colonel. Military adviser for Vice President Johnson.

Burke, Arleigh Chief of Naval Operations (1961).

Cabell, Charles General. DDCI. Not interviewed by Earman.<sup>191</sup>

Cheever, Bruce Deputy Chief of Task Force W.

Civello, Joseph Marcello associate who allegedly was head of organized crime in Dallas. Acquaintance of Ruby.

Clines, Thomas Deputy to Shackley at JM/WAVE. Fonzi 355. Liaison between JM/WAVE and Artime.<sup>192</sup> Arms dealer during Iran-Contra. Corn 18.

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<sup>189</sup>Fonzi 332ff.

<sup>190</sup>Earman 14.

<sup>191</sup>Earman, 2.

<sup>192</sup>Corn, *Blond Ghost* 98.

Cobb, June[CIA agent in Mexico City?]

Colby, WilliamCOS in Saigon to 1962. Head of CIA Plans Far East from 1962- ).

Conien, Lucien.Colleague of WerBell. Allegedly involved in covert CIA operations in Vietnam as early as 1954.<sup>193</sup> "[T]he best-known member of the team Lansdale had employed to help him preside over the creation of South Vietnam. Serves as CIA liason with South Vietnamese Ministry of Interior (1956-63-?). According to Sheehan, he helped engineer the 1963 coup.<sup>194</sup> OSS classmate of Colby.

Cooper, ChesterCIA Assistant for Policy Support (1063).

Cottrell, SterlingChaired State's Vietnam Task Force (1961).

Cubela, RolandoAlias AMLASH. Cuban official whom CIA used in plot to assassinate Castro in 1963. Was offered poison pen in Paris on November 22, 1963. By 1965 CIA suspected he might be a double agent.<sup>195</sup> U.S. in contact with AMLASH from 3/61 to 6/65.<sup>196</sup>

Cuneo, ErnestOSS veteran. Employed Prewett.

Cunningham, RobertCIA Office of Security, former SA FBI. Contact for Maheu.<sup>197</sup>

Davison, Alexis H.Amembassy physician in Moscow 5/61 to 5/63.<sup>198</sup>

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<sup>193</sup>Fonzi 70.

<sup>194</sup>Sheehan, *A Bright Shining Lie* 9.

<sup>195</sup>Corn, *Blond Ghost* 116.

<sup>196</sup>HSCA Rep. 107.

<sup>197</sup>Earman 15.

<sup>198</sup>HSCA Rep. 215-17.



Decker, George Gen.Army Chief of Staff (1961).

Diosdato, Cesar Alleged US Customs agent in Key West and anti-Castro activist. Fonzi 142.

Donovan, John E. Oswald's commanding officer at El Toro Marine base in California.<sup>199</sup>  
Publicly quoted after the assassination.

Dulles, Allen Director, CIA (1953-61).

Easterling, Robert Robert Wilfred Easterling (aka George Taylor; Hardhat). Important source for Henry Hurt. Easterling was in mental hospital at time he gave Hurt information, although some of it was corroborated. Easterling claimed to have been member of conspiracy (including Mexicans, Cubans, Oswald (as patsy), Shaw, and others) to assassinate JFK. Easterling dropped out.

Edwards, Sheffield CIA. Director of Security (1960).<sup>200</sup> Bissell asked Edwards to establish contact with gambling syndicate to undertake assassination of Castro.<sup>201</sup> Retired 1963.<sup>202</sup>

Einsbruch, Burton. Silvia Odio's psychiatrist.

Elrod, John Franklin Alcoholic arrested on 11/22/63 in Dallas. Claims to have overheard Oswald identify Lawrence Miller (also in jail) as gun runner. Although Elrod told this story starting in 1964, no confirmation existed until his arrest record was discovered in 1992.

Esterline, J.D. (Jake) CIA head of Cuba task force pre-Bay of Pigs. See 3-8/60.<sup>203</sup> Signed vouchers for Mafia funds 3-4/61.<sup>204</sup> Deputy Chief, Western

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<sup>199</sup>HSCA Rep. 219.

<sup>200</sup>Earman 14.

<sup>201</sup>Earman 14.

<sup>202</sup>Earman 22.

<sup>203</sup>Earman 9 et seq.

<sup>204</sup>Earman 32.

Hemisphere Division.<sup>205</sup>

Felt, Harry D. Admiral. Commander-in-Chief, Pacific (1961).

FitzGerald, Desmond May have been distant relative of Kennedys. CIA Chief, Far Eastern Division, 1957-62. CIA Chief of Cuban Task Force [SAS?], 1962-64. Chief, Special Affairs Staff (cell at CIA set up to conduct anti-Castro measures).<sup>206</sup> Became Head of Cuban Task Force W in 1962 after Harvey was fired by RFK.<sup>207</sup> The CIA official who reputedly dealt with Cubela. (d. 1967).

Gaudet, William G. Former CIA employee who applied for Mexican tourist card immediately before Oswald.<sup>208</sup> When WC published names of all who had received tourist cards, it omitted Gaudet's name. Told Summers that he had seen Oswald in New Orleans handing out literature and in the company of Ferrie, Banister, and Arcacha Smith. He told HSCA he had seen Oswald distribute literature and in the company of Banister.<sup>209</sup>

Giancana, Sam Mafia; Chicago.

Gill, G. Wray Attorney who represented Marcello in deportation hearing and David Ferrie in Eastern Airlines hearing.

Gold, Sam Code name for Sam Giancana.

Gottlieb, Sidney Special Assistant to DD/P [circa 1960-61].<sup>210</sup> Head of MK-ULTRA

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<sup>205</sup>Agee, *Inside the CIA* 629.

<sup>206</sup>*Newsweek*, Nov. 22, 1963 at 68.

<sup>207</sup>Corn, *Blond Ghost* 96.

<sup>208</sup>HSCA Rep. 218.

<sup>209</sup>HSCA Rep. 219n.27.

<sup>210</sup>Earman 35.

program.<sup>211</sup>

Greer, William SS official, driver of JFK limo.

Gunn, Dr. Edward CIA. Chief, Operations Division, Office of Medical Services (1960).  
Involved with tainted cigars.<sup>212</sup>

Hall, Loran Eugene Soldier of fortune found by FBI to explain Odio visit.<sup>213</sup> [Arrested in  
Dallas in October.] Witness before HSCA.<sup>214</sup>

Harkins, Paul D. Four Star General who becomes first to head all military operations in  
Vietnam (1962-).

Harriman, Averell Ambassador at Large (1961). Becomes Assistant Secretary of State for  
Far Eastern Affairs at the end of 1961.

Hilsman, Roger Director of Bureau of Intelligence and Research, Department of State (1961).

Earman, Jack S. CIA I.G. in 1967. See Earman Report.

Harvey, William K. CIA official in Directorate of Plans who headed CIA portion of  
Mongoose. Heads Task Force W and Executive Action.<sup>215</sup>  
When RFK learned that Task Force W was engaging in  
terrorist acts during missile crisis, he fired Harvey. Participant  
in numerous anti-Castro acts.<sup>216</sup> Former FBI special agent.<sup>217</sup>  
Chief, FI/D. Learns of Castro plots in 2/61. Harvey

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<sup>211</sup>Russell 30.

<sup>212</sup>Earman 21.

<sup>213</sup>Fonzi 114.

<sup>214</sup>HSCA Rep. 139.

<sup>215</sup>See Fonzi 154.

<sup>216</sup>Earman, passim.

<sup>217</sup>Earman 27.

transferred to Rome after fired from Task Force W. Also head of Staff D in Plans.<sup>218</sup> (d. 1976).

Helms, Richard CIA Deputy Director for Plans (1962?-). Director, CIA (19). Author of MK-ULTRA. Told WC that CIA had never communicated with Oswald. During Watergate Helms was convicted of perjury.

Hemming, Gerry Patrick Former marine.<sup>219</sup> Co-founder of International Anti-Communist Brigade.

Hendrix Allegedly a Phillips media asset.<sup>220</sup>

Henry, Bart CIA agent who identified Bishop.<sup>221</sup>

Hilsman, Roger Chief of INR until he replaces Harriman as Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs.

Houston, Lawrence CIA General Counsel early 60s.

Hunt, E. Howard Former OSS. (May have used name "Knight" in connection with JM/WAVE.)

"Joe, the courier" Code name for Santos Trafficante.<sup>222</sup>

Johnson, Robert Assistant to Walt Rostow.

Johnson, U. Alexis Deputy Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs.

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<sup>218</sup>Colby dep. to SSCIA, 5/21/75 at 30.

<sup>219</sup>Fonzi 69.

<sup>220</sup>Fonzi 364.

<sup>221</sup>Fonzi 332.

<sup>222</sup>Earman 19.

Jones, Robert E. Colonel, operations officer for 112th Military Intelligence Group at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. His file on Oswald was destroyed on approximately 3/1/73.<sup>223</sup>

Kail, Sam Colonel who was a Bishop/Veciana contact. From Dallas. Worked in American embassy in Cuba.<sup>224</sup>

Karamessines, Thomas Assistant to Richard Helms. Interviewed Silvia Duran immediately after JFK assassination.

Kellerman, Roy SS official in JFK limo immediately in front of Connolly. Attended autopsy.

King, J.C. CIA. Chief, Western Hemisphere Division. Originated idea to assassinate Castro by using gambling syndicate -- although he seemed not to remember it in Earman Report.<sup>225</sup>

King, Jerry Colonel; Commander Special Forces A-Team in Vietnam, Laos (1961-62).

Kirkpatrick, Lyman CIA I.G.

Krisel, Lionel Author of Navy's official history of Bay of Pigs. Former ONI in Cuba. Suspects Phillips of unprincipled activities.<sup>226</sup>

Kostikov, V.V. Valery Vladimirovich Kostikov. Member of 13th Department. Oswald reputedly met him in Cuban embassy in Mexico City.

Krulak, Victor H. Major General. Special Assistant for Counterinsurgency, Joint Staff of the JCS. JCS representative on on Task Force on Southeast Asia.

Langosch, Joseph Chief of Counterintelligence for CIA's Special Affairs Staff (SAS) in

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<sup>223</sup>HSCA Rep. 223.

<sup>224</sup> Fonzi 150.

<sup>225</sup>Earman 14.

<sup>226</sup> Fonzi 331.

1963.<sup>227</sup> He testified that AMSLASH was an assassination plot. His testimony was rejected by others at SAS.<sup>228</sup>

Lansdale, Edward Brigadier General. Headed operations for SG(A) in 1961-62. His initial proposal for Operation Mongoose was a (far-fetched) plan that provided weekly steps that would lead to the overthrow of Castro. SG(A) immediately had him modify the plan to be one principally of information gathering.

McCone does not like Lansdale.<sup>229</sup>

Lanusa, Jose Antonio Spokesman for Directorio.<sup>230</sup>

Lanz, Pedro Diaz Headed Cuban air force before Castro.

Lemnitzer, Lyman Adm. Chairman, JCS (1961).

Lobo, Julio Veciana boss in Cuba who had contacts with the CIA. Veciana told Lobo about his disaffection with Castro.<sup>231</sup>

Lopez, Gilberto Cuban-born American alleged to be pro-Castro assassin.  
Until  
Policarpo Nov. 1963, Lopez lives in Tampa. Obtains Mexico tourist card on November 20 at Tampa and then leaves for Texas. On Nov. 23, 1963, crosses border into Mexico from Laredo on foot. On Nov. 27, flies to Havana. Some CIA and FBI info linking Lopez to JFK assassination. James H. Johnston of HSCA links Lopez to JFK assassination.<sup>232</sup> HSCA concludes that Lopez's activities

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<sup>227</sup>HSCA 10:162.

<sup>228</sup>HSCA 10:162-63.

<sup>229</sup>McCone 75:52-54.

<sup>230</sup>Fonzi 57.

<sup>231</sup>Fonzi 129.

<sup>232</sup>HR 11/17/93 at 55; HSCA Rep. 118-21.

were suspicious and that it was unable to resolve the issues.<sup>233</sup>

Lopez-Fresquet, Rufe Minister of Treasury during first fourteen months of Castro's government. Was CIA informant, friend of Veciana.<sup>234</sup>

Lorenz, Marita Self-proclaimed former mistress of Castro. She claims to have worked for CIA and to have assisted in plots to kill Castro. Asserts she travelled with others to Dallas and saw Oswald and others. Alleged Customs informant.<sup>235</sup>

Maceo Rosselli's name for Cuban operative involved in Phase Two.<sup>236</sup>

Maheu, Robert A. Former FBI. Became private investigator, opening office in DC in 1956. CIA's contact with Rosselli, Mafia for Castro assassination. "Over the years he has been intimately involved in providing support for some of the Agency's more sensitive operations."<sup>237</sup>

Mann, Thomas US Ambassador to Mexico.

Marcello, Carlos Mafia; New Orleans (area of responsibility includes Texas).

Martino, John Imprisoned by Castro. Worked in Casinos in Havana. Ties to Mafia.<sup>238</sup> D. 1975. Relative of Philadelphia Mafia boss Angelo Bruno. Friend of Rosselli.<sup>239</sup>

McCone, John DCI 1961-66.

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<sup>233</sup>HSCA Rep. 121.

<sup>234</sup>Fonzi 129.

<sup>235</sup>Fonzi 95.

<sup>236</sup>Earman 48.

<sup>237</sup>Earman 15, passim.

<sup>238</sup>Fonzi 57.

<sup>239</sup>Fonzi 324.

McGarr, Lionel MAAG chief in Saigon (1961).

McGuire, Phyllis One of the McGuire sisters. Girlfriend of Sam Giancana. Her affair with Dan Rowan prompted Giancana to ask Maheu plant a bug in her room. When Maheu declined, Giancana reminded Maheu of Giancana's efforts to eliminate Castro.<sup>240</sup>

Miller, Lawrence Elrod identifies Miller as person Oswald identifies as a gun runner. Miller and Donnell Whitter, Ruby's auto mechanic, were arrested for stealing weapons from National Guard Armory in Terrell, Texas.

Mohrenschildt, George de HSCA description.<sup>241</sup>

Molina, Rafael See Molins.

Molins, R.A.R. Rafael Anselmo Rodriguez Molins (aka Rafael Molina). Anti-Castro activist.

Moore, J. Walton Ran CIA domestic contacts office in Dallas.<sup>242</sup> Mohrenschildt asserts that he discussed Oswald with Moore. Moore denies it.

Morales, David Sanchez (aka El Indio) Major figure according to Fonzi.<sup>243</sup> Worked in US embassy in Havana 1958-60. Chief of Operations of JM/WAVE.<sup>244</sup>

Morgan, Edward P. Maheu's DC attorney.<sup>245</sup>

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<sup>240</sup>Earman 57ff.

<sup>241</sup>HSCA Rep. 217-219.

<sup>242</sup>Fonzi 188; HSCA Rep. 217.

<sup>243</sup>See Fonzi 366ff.

<sup>244</sup>Fonzi 371.

<sup>245</sup>Earman 36.



Moss, Edward K. Public Relations man based in DC who was hired by Varona circa 1960-61.<sup>246</sup>

Murphy, David E. CIA, Chief, Soviet Russia Division, DDP.

Murrow, Edward R. Head of USIA; member of Special Group (Augmented).

Nhu, Ngo Dinh Brother of President Diem.

O'Connell, James P. CIA. Chief, Operational Support Division, Office of Security. Former FBI. Acted as Shef Edwards's case officer in Mafia/Castro operation. Under the guise of being Maheu's employee, he met with Rosselli in 9/60.<sup>247</sup>

Orta, Juan Mafia's code name for their contact-person who was Cuba's Office Chief and Director General of the Office of the Prime Minister. Lost his position on 1/26/61.<sup>248</sup>

Osborn, Howard J. Deputy Director, Office of Security. Subsequently, Director Office of Security.

Otero, Rolando Former CIA agent who told Fonzi that assassination was plot by persons within CIA.<sup>249</sup>

Parsons, J. Graham Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs (1961).

Pawley, William According to Fonzi, not a CIA official, but closely tied to CIA. Wealthy.<sup>250</sup> Miami businessman and former ambassador. Met Shackley

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<sup>246</sup>Earman 30.

<sup>247</sup>Earman 16.

<sup>248</sup>Earman 27-28.

<sup>249</sup>Fonzi 233ff.

<sup>250</sup>Fonzi 56.

in Summer of 1962.<sup>251</sup>

Perez, Eduardo(aka Eddie Bayo). Tied to Billings and other anti-Castros.<sup>252</sup>

Phillips, David AtleeHead of CIA Western Hemisphere Division. May have been "Maurice Bishop." 1961-63 Chief of Covert Activity in Mexico City. Based in Mexico until 1965.<sup>253</sup> In charge of anti-Allende operations (Track II). Formally left CIA in 1975, but may in fact have continued.<sup>254</sup>

Posada, LuisWorked on Castro assassination attempt in Chile in 1971.<sup>255</sup> "Lethal" CIA agent.<sup>256</sup>

Prewett, VirginiaJournalist who was associate of Phillips.<sup>257</sup> (d. 1988).

Prio, CarlosMultimillionaire; Cuban president overthrown by Batista.

Proenza, TeresaLefitist Cuban citizen who resided in Mexico for several years before Castro came to power. She then worked at Cuban Embassy in Mexico City. CIA used her in disinformation campaign that resulted in her arrest and in the arrest of the Cuban Vice Minister of Defense.

QJWINPrincipal asset of ZR/RIFLE (Executive Action).<sup>258</sup>

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<sup>251</sup>CR 100.

<sup>252</sup>Fonzi 57.

<sup>253</sup>Russell 241.

<sup>254</sup>Fonzi 345. D. 1988.

<sup>255</sup>Fonzi 341.

<sup>256</sup>Fonzi 370.

<sup>257</sup>Fonzi 319.

<sup>258</sup>Earman 38.

Quintero, Rafael Worked with Artime in MRR.<sup>259</sup>

Ray Rivero, Manuel (or Manolo Ray). Formed leftist MRP in opposition to Castro. Rival of Artime and MRR.

Richardson, John CIA Saigon COS who replaced Colby. He was recalled in 10/63. Because he was close to Nhu, his withdrawal was a sign of increasing American dissatisfaction.<sup>260</sup>

Rocca, Raymond CIA Chief of Counterintelligence Staff. Working level contact with Warren Commission.<sup>261</sup>

Rodriguez, Felix "Lethal" CIA agent.<sup>262</sup>

Roosevelt, Cornelius CIA. Chief of TSD.

Roosevelt, Kermit CIA.

Rosselli, Johnny Real name Filippo Sacco (also spelled Rosselli) Mafia; Las Vegas. Engaged in repeated attempts to assassinate Castro.<sup>263</sup> Murdered in August, 1976.

Rostow, Walt Head of the Policy Planning Council at State.

Rowley, James Director of the Secret Service. Had early information on Castro plots.<sup>264</sup>

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<sup>259</sup>Corn, *Blond Ghost* 97.

<sup>260</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 411.

<sup>261</sup>HSCA Rep. 253.

<sup>262</sup>Fonzi 370.

<sup>263</sup>Fonzi 372. Biography: Charles Rappleye and Ed Becker, *All American Mafioso* (1991).

<sup>264</sup>Earman 36.

Ruby, Jack aka Jack Rubenstein. Oswald's killer.

Ruiz, Guillermo In Castro's intelligence service. Cousin of Veciana.<sup>265</sup>

Scott, Winston Long term CIA COS in Mexico City.

Shackley, Ted Head of JM/WAVE station. Joined CIA in 1951. Associate Director Operations under DCI Bush.

Shanklin, Gordon FBI SAC in Dallas in 1963.

Shoup, David Gen. Marine Corps Commandant (1961).

Smith, Sergio Arcacha Head of Cuban Revolutionary Council in New Orleans. His office was at 544 Camp Street -- about 15 months *before* Oswald purportedly used the address.<sup>266</sup> Moved to Texas at time of Garrison trial. Protected from extradition.

Smith, Wayne Worked in US embassy in Havana in 1950s. Knew Morales. Currently professor at SAIS.<sup>267</sup>

Snyder, Richard E. Consular official in Moscow who heard Oswald defect and who facilitated return to U.S. HSCA troubled by question whether Snyder was operating under a CIA cover.<sup>268</sup>

Souvannah Phouma Prime Minister of Laos (6/23/62-1975) (d. 1984).

Sprague, Richard One-time Chief Counsel of HSCA. Replaced by Blakey.

Sturgis, Frank CIA and Sturgis assert that he was never a CIA agent. Headed Cuban air force

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<sup>265</sup>Fonzi 143.

<sup>266</sup>HSCA Rep. 141.

<sup>267</sup>Fonzi 385.

<sup>268</sup>HSCA Rep. 214-15.

until Castro. Founder of IACB.<sup>269</sup>

Sullivan, William C. FBI. Assistant to Director for Security. "[P]robably the highest FBI official [at the time of the assassination] to review the Oswald file."<sup>270</sup>

Tanenbaum, Robert One-time Deputy Chief Counsel of HSCA.

Taylor, Maxwell (1901-87). Army Chief of Staff 1955-59. His emphasis on balanced conventional forces rather than overwhelming strategic forces led to his termination by Eisenhower. Provided special military advice to JFK 1961-62. Chairman of JCS 1962-64. Ambassador to Vietnam 1964-65. According to Newman, Taylor was "the architect of the war-winning deception on the Washington end."<sup>271</sup>

Terpil, Frank Allegedly identified Bishop as Phillips using CIA document.<sup>272</sup>

Trafficante, Santos Mafia; Miami, Tampa.

Trueheart, William Deputy Chief of Mission in South Vietnam (1961-).

Varona, Tony Dr. Manuel Antonio de Varona y Loreda. Head of Democratic Revolutionary Front, anti-Castro group. Mafia contact.<sup>273</sup> "Integral part" of CIA-syndicate plan.<sup>274</sup> Heavily involved in Bay of Pigs.<sup>275</sup>

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<sup>269</sup>Fonzi 79.

<sup>270</sup>Kelly, *The Story of an FBI Director* 293.

<sup>271</sup>Newman, *JFK and Vietnam* 391.

<sup>272</sup>Fonzi 364.

<sup>273</sup>Earman 29.

<sup>274</sup>Earman 32.

<sup>275</sup>Earman 32.

Veciana, Antonio Head of Alpha 66; virulent anti-Castro. Disclosed much information to Gaeton Fonzi, including seeing Bishop with Oswald.

WerBell, M.L. III Mitchell Livingston WerBell III. Arms dealer. Ran training camp outside Atlanta (Powder Springs). Former OSS.

WH/4 Cryptonym for CIA person involved in anti-Castro activities in 1960s.<sup>276</sup>

Walter, William FBI Security Clerk in New Orleans who reported that Oswald had both an internal security file *and* informant file. Others deny this.<sup>277</sup> Walter also reported about the existence of an 11/17/63 teletype warning of an assassination attempt.

Whittier, Donnell Ruby's mechanic; arrested for weapons theft from National Guard Armory in Terrell, Texas. See Elrod, Miller. 14 page report on Whittier is still classified. HR 11/17/93.

Wilcott, James CIA official in Tokyo. Testified to HSCA that Oswald was rumored to be a CIA agent. After investigation, the HSCA did not credit Wilcott's allegations.<sup>278</sup>

Williams, Edward Benn. Maheu's lawyer (along with Edward P. Morgan).<sup>279</sup>

Wilson, Edwin Wealthy player in covert world. Big estate in Virginia. Formerly in CIA operations.

Winterbottom, James Chief of Intelligence (J-2), MACV (1962-63).

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<sup>276</sup>Earman 12 et seq.

<sup>277</sup>HSCA Rep. 191.

<sup>278</sup>HSCA Rep. 198-200.

<sup>279</sup>Colby dep. to SSCIA, 5/21/75 at 49.

## C. INSTITUTIONS/OPERATIONS/ABBREVIATIONS

### US Government

40 CommitteeBoard (after 1965?) that advises on politically covert activities. Its function previously was served by the Special Group.<sup>280</sup>

544 CampSame building as 531 Lafayette ("Newman Building").

5412Alternate name for Special Group.

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<sup>280</sup>Colby dep. to SSCIA, 5/21/75 at 58.

AMLASH Code name for Rolando Cubela. Involved in plot to assassinate Castro. U.S. in contact with AMLASH from 3/61 to 6/65.<sup>281</sup>

ACSI Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence.

ADVONUS Air Force Advanced Echelon Command (2d ADVON stationed in Vietnam starting November 1961).

AG According to the CIA, it is a data entry code signifying "actual or potential defectors to the East or the Sino/Soviet block including Cuba."<sup>282</sup>  
However, one Agency witness said that it was a later designation referring to some classification within Communism.<sup>283</sup>

AGVA American Guild of Variety Artists. Union giving Ruby trouble during 1963.

AMQUACK CIA cryptonym for Che Guevara.

AMTHUG CIA cryptonym for Castro.

ASAU.S. Army Security Agency. Absorbed into INSCOM in 1977.

Bishop College College in Dallas that may have been CIA front.

BNECIA Board of National Estimates. Abolished by Colby and replaced with National Intelligence Officers.

BRILAB Sting operation that recorded conversations of Marcello.

C/SAS Chief SAS (FitzGerald in 1963).

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<sup>281</sup>HSCA Rep. 107.

<sup>282</sup><sup>184</sup>HSCA Rep. 202.

<sup>283</sup>HSCA Rep. 201-02.



CI/SIGCIA Counterintelligence Special Investigations Group.

CI Group Counter-insurgency group run by Maxwell Taylor from the White House.

CIP Counterinsurgency Plan.

COSCIA Chief of Station.

DCI Directors of Central Intelligence.

Allen Dulles (1953-61)

John McCone (1961-65)

William Raborn (1965-66)

Richard Helms (1966-73)

James R. Schlesinger (1973)

William Colby (1973-76)

George Bush (1976-77)

Stansfield Turner (1977-81)

William Casey (1981-87)

William Webster (1987-91)

Robert Gates (1991-93)

James Woolsey (1993-95)

William O. Studeman (1995-)

DDCI Deputy Director of Central Intelligence.

Allen Dulles (1951-53)

Charles P. Cabell (1953-62)

General Marshall S. Carter (1962-65)

Richard Helms (1965-66)

Henry Knoche (under Bush)

DD/P Deputy Director Plans.

Richard Bissell (-2/62)

Richard Helms (2/62-66)

DD/I Deputy Director Intelligence

Robert Amory (1961)

DIADefense Intelligence Agency. Created 8/61.

Gunn Research Aid

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Executive Action CIA assassination task force. Headed by Harvey. Code name ZR/RIFLE.<sup>284</sup> It was covered as an FI/D operation. McCone testified he never knew of Executive Action/ZR/RIFLE while at CIA.<sup>285</sup>

"After Harvey took over the Castro operation he ran it as one aspect of ZRRIFLE; however, he personally handled the Castro operation and did not use any of the assets being developed in ZRRIFLE. He says that he soon came to think of the Castro operation and ZRRIFLE as being synonymous. The over-all Executive Action program came to be treated in his mind as being synonymous with QJWIN, the agent working on the over-all program. He says that when he wrote of ZRRIFLE/QJWIN the reference was to Executive Action Capability; when he used the cryptonym ZRRIFLE alone, he was referring to Castro. He said that his correspondence would disclose this distinction. We reviewed the correspondence and found it for the most part unrevealing."<sup>286</sup>

Farmgate Code name for slow flying propeller driven B-26s and T-28s.

FI/D Foreign Intelligence/[]. Chief is William Harvey.

FIAB President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board. Its forerunner was the President's Board of Consultants on Foreign Intelligence Activities.

Fort Detrick Stored biological warfare items.

Fort Holabird. US Army intelligence center.

GPFLOOR CIA crypt for Oswald.

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<sup>284</sup>Kurtz xliv.

<sup>285</sup>McCone 75:7.

<sup>286</sup>Earman 40.

HT-LingualCIA mail opening program.

Hughes-Ryan Amendment 1974 requiring President to make a finding that an operation is "important to the national security" before there could be funding for such an operation.

HUMINT Human intelligence. Military groups operating HUMINT include:

- Navy: Task Force 168
- Army: INSCOM , 470th MIG (Panama), 501 MIG (Korea), 500th MIG (Camp Zama, Japan), 66th MIG (Germany)
- Air Force: Air Force Special Activities Center.

IAC Intelligence Advisory Committee (later renamed 54-12 Group; Special Group; 303 Group; Forty Committee).

INSCOM Army Intelligence and Security Command.

INR Bureau of Intelligence and Research (State). After 1957 integrates production and collection. Issued National Intelligence Surveys until circa 1961.

Roger Hilsman

Thomas Hughes

JM/WAVE CIA headquarters in Miami concentrating on anti-Castro activities. Launched Operation Mongoose.

MAAG Military Assistance Advisory Group (not permitted by law to command operational forces).

MACV Military Assistance Command, Vietnam.

MAG Marine Air Group. Oswald was in MAG 11.

MK-ULTRA CIA's mind control program conceived by Richard Helms.

NIO Created by Colby. National Intelligence Officers.

NSC oversightHistory of oversight panels:<sup>287</sup>

-10/2 Panel (1948 NSC 10/2)

-10/5 Panel (1951 NSC 10/5)

-Operations Coordinating Board (1954 NSC 5412, NSC  
5412/1)

-5412 Group or Special Group (1955 NSC 5412/2)

-303 Committee (1964 NSAM 303)

-40 Committee (1970 NSDM 40) [National Security Council  
Intelligence Committee also created for other operations]

NSCIDNational Security Council Intelligence Directive. (From NSC to DCI.)

OICIA data entry code "other information."

ONECIA's Office of National Estimates.

Operation MongooseCIA clandestine operation against Cuba begun 11/61 by JM/WAVE.  
Directed by Lansdale.<sup>288</sup> Special Group (Augmented) was like  
the Board of Directors. Chain of command for operations:  
McNamara to Assistant Secretary to Lansdale. "I don't think  
Mr. McNamara exercised any direct control over General  
Lansdale, or in fact knew what he was doing."<sup>289</sup>

PACAFPacific Command Air Force.

PRSProtective Research Section (renamed Office of Protective Research in 10/65). Division  
of Secret Service responsible for evaluating intelligence about  
risks to the President.<sup>290</sup>

SAFBI. Special Agent.

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<sup>287</sup>See generally Richelson, *U.S. Intelligence Community* (2d) 375.

<sup>288</sup>McCone 1975:17.

<sup>289</sup>McCone 75:56.

<sup>290</sup>HSCA Rep. 228.

SACSpecial Agent in Charge (FBI).

SAMOSSatellite and Missile Observation System. First launched in 1961.

SASCIA Special Affairs Staff. Responsibility for CIA operations against Cuba/Castro by 1963. Cell in CIA headed by FitzGerald with anti-Cuba responsibilities.<sup>291</sup> See Joseph Langosch.

SAS/CISpecial Affairs Staff/Counterintelligence.

SGSpecial Group. An NSC committee providing oversight on covert operations (see NSC (oversite). Established under NSC 5412/1 in 3/55. [Also called 54-12 or 5412.] During JFK administration it met on Thursday afternoon at 2:00. It subsequently resolved itself into the Special Group (Counterinsurgency) and still later into the SG(A) -- the latter of which specifically focused on Cuba.

SGA or SG(A)Special Group (Augmented). Concise description provided during Colby testimony.<sup>292</sup> Inter-agency entity designed to oversee operations pertaining to Cuba. Set policy for Operation Mongoose. Members in 1962: RFK (Chaired); McNamara (DOD -- with Rosnell Gilpatric); Rusk (State -- with U. Alexis Johnson); McCone (CIA -- with staff Harvey (operations responsibility), Parrott, Carter), Bundy (NSC), (State), Roswell Gilpatric (DOD), Edward R. Murrow (USIA); General Lyman Lemnitzer (JCS), General Maxwell Taylor (JCS), Brig. General Edward Lansdale was chief of operations, though not a member. Between February and October 1962 it held 27 meetings.<sup>293</sup> Powers seems not to understand it.<sup>294</sup>

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<sup>291</sup>Newsweek, Nov. 22, 1963 at 68; Corn 97; Church 5:16-17.

<sup>292</sup>Colby dep. to SSCIA, 5/21/75 at 60ff. (part of testimony actually provided by Enno Knoche).

<sup>293</sup>McCone 75 at 18-19.

<sup>294</sup>Powers 135-36.

**POSSIBLE SG(A)/MONGOOSE MODEL:**

SG(A) Sets policy (Board of Directors)

Operation Mongoose is inter-agency operation under authority of SG(A).

Lansdale is Operations Director of Mongoose.

Harvey (then Bissell) establish CIA operations to complement/rival/ supplement Mongoose:  
Executive Action; ZRRIFLE; JM/WAVE; SAS; Task  
Force W.

SwitchbackOperation to transfer CIA paramilitary capability to the Pentagon (undertaken  
after Bay of Pigs).

Task Force WCIA task force to oust Castro. "W" being the letter assigned just as out of the  
sky."<sup>295</sup> First headed by Harvey,<sup>296</sup> then by FitzGerald.<sup>297</sup>  
After Harvey fired, it was reorganized as "Special Affairs  
Staff" (SAS).

Track III1970s top secret CIA program to overthrow Allende.<sup>298</sup>

TSDTechnical Services Division, under CIA DD/P.  
Chiefs  
Cornelius Roosevelt (1960)

USAR-PACUnited States Army, Pacific Command.

USIBUnited States Intelligence Board (originally IAC--Intelligence Advisory Committee).  
Created 1958. Intelligence agency directors that give final  
approval to estimates before publication. Includes: DCI

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<sup>295</sup>Helms dep. to Rockefeller Commission, 4/28/75 at 2492.

<sup>296</sup>Kurtz xliv; Corn, *Blond Ghost* 72.

<sup>297</sup>Fonzi 329; Corn, *Blond Ghost* 96.

<sup>298</sup>See Phillips. Fonzi 339.

(Chair); intelligence chiefs of Army, Navy, Air Force, JCS, State; Director of NSA. Other *ad hoc* members.

WHCIA. Western Hemisphere under Plans.

Chiefs

J.C. King (1960)

Ted Shackley (1972)

WH/4Cryptonym for CIA person involved in anti-Castro activities in 1960s.<sup>299</sup>

WH/CAWestern Hemisphere/Covert Action

ZR/RIFLESee Executive Action.

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<sup>299</sup>Earman 12 et seq.

Anti-Communist/Anti-Castro Groups

ANTI-CASTRO GROUPS<sup>300</sup>

Alpha 66  
JURE  
Commandos L  
DRE  
CRC  
FRD  
JGCE  
30th of November  
InterPen  
MRR  
EIC

Alpha 66 Founded in 1962. Headed by Antonio Veciana. Bishop implicated in creation/running.

Brigade 2506 Anti-Castro.

CANF Cuban American National Foundation ("the most powerful lobbying force in the country."<sup>301</sup>)

CCFC Citizens Committee to Free Cuba.

CORU Commando of United Revolutionary Organizations set up by Bosch in mid-1970s.

Directorio Anti-Castro.

IACB International Anti-Communist Brigade. Founded by Hemming and Sturgis.

JURE Junta Revolucionaria. Founded by Manolo Ray (friend of Silvia Odio's father). Further to left of MRR. Formed in April, 1962.

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<sup>300</sup>HSCA Rep. 133ff.

<sup>301</sup>Fonzi 370.



MRPMovimiento Revolucionario del Pueblo. Formed by Ray -- large forrunner of JURE.<sup>302</sup>

MRRMovement to Recover the Revolution. Headed by Artime. Set up four bases in Costa Rica and Nicaragua. Corn 97. More to the right than JURE or MRP.

Miscellaneous

CIA/SaigonCIA COS in Saigon  
William Colby (-1962)  
John Richardson (1962-10/63)

Communist

DGICastro's intelligence service.

GRUSoviet Military Intelligence.

KGBSoviet State Security

13th DptKGB 13th Department; assassinations.

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<sup>302</sup>Fonzi 130.