September --, 1995

Mr. Frederick J. Graboske Archivist of the Marine Corps USMC Historical Center BLDG 58, Washington Navy Yard Washington, DC 20374-5040

Re: Request for Additional Records and Information No. USMC-1 in accordance with the JFK Assassination Records Collection Act, 44 U.S.C. § 2107

Dear Mr. Graboske:

We very much appreciate the help that you have provided us thus far.

I will be sending to you, from time-to-time, requests for additional information and records to facilitate the completion of the Review Board's task of compiling the most complete record possible of the assassination of President Kennedy. Under our Act, we are empowered to request additional records and information from government agencies to assist us in this process. *See* 44 U.S.C. § 2107.7(j)(1)(C)(ii). *See also* 36 C.F.R. § 1400.2, 60 FR 33345, 33349 (June 28, 1995). We will be numbering our requests "USMC-1," "USMC-2," etc., in order to help us track our requests and your responses to them. This letter constitutes our first request.

We would appreciate your providing to us the following information from the USMC:

A. All available documentation relating to the levels of operational security clearance required by enlisted USMC Aviation Electronics Operators (with MOS 6741) working in the radar tracking-and-plotting environment (i.e., in the "radar bubble") at the following duty stations during the indicated time periods (rephrased, the question would read "what was the classification of the information being processed in the designated working environment at those locations/times"):

LOCATION(S)

UNIT DESIGNATION
TIME PERIOD

MACS-1 NAS Atsugi, JA; Cubi Pt., 1957-58

Philippines;

and Taiwan

MACS-9 Ana, 1959 MCAS El Toro, Santa

CA

NOTE: Special care should be given to consideration of, and search for, documentation related to the classification level given to both aircraft altitudes and flight profiles, and radio transmission frequencies of operational aircraft

at

the locations indicated above;

- B. All documentation held by the USMC relating to any "net damage assessment" studies conducted by either the USMC or other agencies or components of the armed forces, at MACS-9 (MCAS El Toro, Santa Ana, CA) and/or MACS-1 (NAS Atsugi, JA) during the 12 months following the defection of former MACS-1 and MACS-9 member Lee Harvey Oswald to the USSR on October 31, 1959;
- C. All documentation relating to all active duty USMC personnel who attended Russian language training at the U.S. Army's School of Languages in Monterey, CA (now known as Defense Language Institute) during the years 1958 and 1959;
- D. Any/all documentation pertaining to any Russian language training which may have been given, issued, or sponsored by the USMC during the years 1958-59 (i.e., USMC personnel who took formal courses of instruction in Russian, but not at the Army's school in Monterey);
- E. Documentation regarding the standards, circumstances and procedures under which foreign language proficiency tests were given to active duty members of the Marine Corps effective February 01, 1959;
- F. Documentation regarding any changes in alert or readiness status of operational USMC units and/or USMC bases (shore establishment activities) from 21-29 NOV, 1963, inclusive;
- G. Message traffic or orders received by the Marine Corps changing DEFCON status during the period 21-29 NOV, 1963;
- H. All assassination-related communications (message traffic, letters, speed letters and memoranda) among CNO, Commandant of the Marine Corps, ONI, FBI, CIA, State Department and SECDEF which are presently retained in Marine Corps files;
- I. All correspondence between the USMC and the Warren Commission, the House Select

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Committee on Assassinations, the Rockefeller Commission, the Senate "Church" Committee, or any other Federal Agency or investigation into the assassination of President Kennedy; and

J. Unit diaries of Marine Air Control Squadron One (MACS-1) for 1957 and 1958, and Marine Air Control Squadron Nine (MACS-9) for 1958 and 1959. If unit diaries are no longer available, then official command histories for those units may be substituted.

Please feel free to contact me or Jeremy Gunn at (202) 724-0088 if we may be of any assistance or answer any questions.

Sincerely yours,

David G. Marwell Executive Director