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Discussion between Member SR Division and [redacted] concerning timetable of OSWALD'S stay in ~~and~~ Helsinki

MEMO FOR THE RECORD

1. At 0900 this morning I talked with [redacted] recently returned [redacted] re Warren Commission inquiry concerning the timetable of Oswald's stay in Finland in October 1959, including his contact with the Soviet Consulate there. (Copy of the Commission letter of 25 May 64 and State Cable of 22 May 64 attached.)

2. [redacted] gave me the following information:

a. It takes 25 minutes to drive from the airport to downtown Helsinki.

b. By taxi, it would take no more than 5 minutes to reach the Soviet consulate.

c. The Soviet consulate probably has a shorter wait time on Saturdays in 1959.

d. Passenger lists (manifests) at the U.S. Consulate in Helsinki are retained for six months only and then are destroyed. [redacted] there at the time.

e. A copy of State's cable inquiry would go to the Helsinki [redacted] and they would assist in preparation of a reply.

3. [redacted] agreed that it would be worthwhile to cable [redacted] concerning points not covered by State in their inquiry. He suggested changes incorporated into the cable sent to Helsinki.

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