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ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

SUBJECT: (Optional)

Lee Harvey OSWALD

FROM:

Michael E. Schneeberger
Security Analysis Group

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NO.

DATE

24 March 1977

TO: (Officer designation, room number, and building)

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(2) I have no idea what
[LONNQUIST] is talking about.
What action do you
want taken?
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

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1. On 22 March 1977 ⁰³[Gary M. LONNQUIST], Office of Communications, and the undersigned met during a social engagement (a party in his honor prior to his PCS to ¹³⁻¹[Manila]). During social conversations, ⁰³[LONNQUIST] mentioned an incident which occurred in the Security Records Division file room relating to the OSWALD security files. ⁰³[LONNQUIST] was subsequently interviewed by the undersigned and Jerry Brown, Deputy Chief, Security Analysis Group, on 23 March 1977 in the Security Analysis Group, Room 3E49, and ⁰³[LONN-QUIST] related substantially the following.
2. Sometime between May 1975 and January 1976 while an Office of Security employee assigned to the Security Records Division file room, ⁰³[LONNQUIST] was requested to search SANCA in the name of Lee Harvey OSWALD. This request was in connection with a Freedom of Information case involving OSWALD, and ⁰³[LONNQUIST] believed that ⁰³[Joyce HOWARD], also assigned to the Security Records Division, made the request. This search met with positive results, thus making ⁰³[LONNQUIST] aware of the fact that OSWALD's name was entered in SANCA.
3. Subsequently, ⁰³[LONNQUIST] came across a file which he described as relating to OSWALD, and he intended to file same with the rest of the OSWALD files on the shelf. ⁰³[LONN-QUIST] described this file as covert, thin, and having a higher file number than the rest of the OSWALD holdings. He could not remember the name which appeared on the outside of the file but thought that it may have been one of OSWALD's akas. He further related that he looked inside the file and believed that it was related to, or possibly identical with, the regular OSWALD holdings. While attempting to refile this covert file, he observed that all of the regular OSWALD holdings were permanently charged to the Security Analysis Group; thus he believes he sent the covert file to the Security Analysis Group.

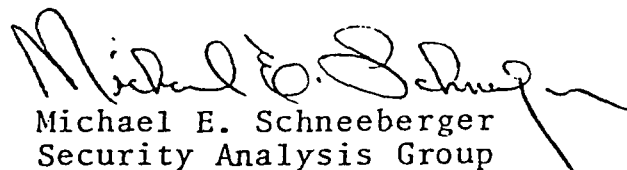
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4. Later, ⁰³[LONNQUIST] again queried SANCA in the name which he saw on the covert file but found no record. Perturbed, he queried ⁰³[Francis DAVIS] (Indices Chief) as to why he could find no record in the name of a file which he knew existed. He specifically asked ⁰³[DAVIS] if the name (which he cannot remember now) could have been erased from SANCA. ⁰³[DAVIS] replied that she did not think that was possible. ⁰³He then apprised ⁰³[John BOLLINGER] of the above, since ⁰³[BOLLINGER] had processed the OSWALD Freedom of Information Act request. ⁰³[BOLLINGER] made unknown inquiries for some three to four hours concerning the possible erasure of a name from SANCA and finally told ⁰³[LONNQUIST] that there was nothing to worry about, that he ⁰³(BOLLINGER) took care of the matter. ⁰³[LONNQUIST] also advised that he made his immediate supervisor, ⁰³[Chuck TACKETT] aware of the incident. ⁰³[LONNQUIST] advised that he heard nothing further concerning the incident but privately harbored doubts about the resolution of the incident. He mentioned that he entertained thoughts of reporting the incident to the Inspector General but has not discussed it with anyone subsequently until he apprised the undersigned on the night of 22 March 1977.

5. ⁰³[LONNQUIST] was advised by the Deputy Chief, Security Analysis Group that the Security Analysis Group would make the incident a matter of official concern and would begin immediate inquiries. ⁰³[LONNQUIST] was cautioned not to vocalize allegations regarding possible erasures of SANCA entries or possible illegal destruction of official files. However, he was told that he was perfectly free to bring the entire matter up with the Inspector General if he felt it necessary.


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