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*Shepard's
 copy & notes:*

August 28, 1978

*Present at 29 Aug '78
 meeting:*

- [redacted] - SE
- DeLoe* - SE
- Deck Rindinger* - OGC
- George Jamboris* - OGC
- Bruce Soler* - OS
- [redacted] - CI
- Norbert Shepard* - PCS/RO
- Scott Breckinridge* - OGC
- Jack Sullivan* - OS

Mr. Scott Breckinridge
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Dear Mr. Breckinridge:

In accordance with Professor Blakey's discussion with you last week, and in keeping with the timetable proposed at that time, the following interrogatories are submitted for your consideration.

*Tasking at
 9 AM Meeting
 on 29 Aug 1978*

*OM'S
 (OS)*

OS

1. Enumerate the name of any drug given to Nosenko and the date it was administered -- including those given for "therapeutic" purposes -- from January 1964 to 1968.
2. Describe in detail Nosenko's living conditions from April 4, 1964 through 1968. The description should include, but not be limited to the following:
 - a. where he lived
 - b. the degree to which his movements were restricted
 - c. his contact with other people
 - d. his access to radio, television and reading materials such as newspapers and books
 - e. the degree to which his actions were "observed"
 - f. restrictions with regard to his food intake
3. Define Nosenko's present and past employment arrangements with the Central Intelligence Agency.

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Include:

- a. the dates and nature of his employment
- b. the services rendered by Nosenko
- c. itemized accounting of all compensation received by Nosenko
- CS/G d. an account of the roles of Richard Helms and John McCone in authorizing Nosenko's employment and compensation arrangements with the CIA

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4. On what dates and for how long was Nosenko questioned by the CIA about Lee Harvey Oswald -- from 1964 to present.

Tom Ryan
names + indication

CI

5. When Nosenko was questioned by the CIA about Lee Harvey Oswald, who did the questioning.

SE

CI

6. What background, if any, did the interrogator have in interrogations. What knowledge did the interrogator have with respect to Oswald's background.

CI

7. On the dates that Nosenko was questioned about Oswald does there now exist or did there ever exist:
 - a. a tape of the questions asked and Nosenko's answers
 - b. a transcript of the questions asked and Nosenko's answers
 - c. a summary of the questions asked and Nosenko's answers

CI / SE

8. What criteria, if any, was used to determine:
 - a. what subjects to question Nosenko about
 - b. how much time to devote to each subject

9. What significance -- with respect to possible foreign involvement in the assassination as well as to the issue of Nosenko's bonafides -- did the CIA attach during the years 1964-1968 to Nosenko's statements about Oswald?

10. What significance -- with respect to possible foreign involvement in the assassination as well as to the issue of Nosenko's bonafides -- does the CIA attach today to Nosenko's statements about Oswald?

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11. If the answer to question 9 is different from the response to question 10, when did the change occur and why?

12. What was the CIA's position from 1964 to 1968 on the question of whether Nosenko is bonafide?

13. What is the CIA's position today on the question of whether Nosenko is bonafide?

14. If the answer to question 12 is different from the response to question 13, when did the change occur and why?

15. What was the CIA's position from 1964 to 1968 on whether Nosenko was telling the truth in the statements he made to the CIA about Oswald?

16. What is the CIA's position today as to whether Nosenko was telling the truth in the statements he made to the CIA about Oswald?

17. If the answer to question 15 is different from the response to question 16, when did the change occur and why?

18. Why were three polygraph tests given to Nosenko?

19. What is the CIA's position with regard to the validity of each of the three polygraph tests administered to Nosenko?

20. Why was Nosenko asked numerous questions pertaining to Oswald on his 1966 polygraph test and only asked two questions about Oswald on his 1968 test?

21. Who authorized Bruce Solie to reinvestigate Nosenko's bonafides?

22. Why was Nosenko's bonafides reinvestigated in 1968?

23. Did either the FBI or the CIA have primary responsibility for investigating Nosenko's statements

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It's belief of truth
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about Oswald? If neither had primary responsibility, was there any division of responsibility?

24. What communication, if any, existed between the FBI and CIA with respect to evaluating and/or investigating Nosenko's statements about Oswald?

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Sincerely,

G. Robert Blakey

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Chief Counsel and Director

GRB:kkf

Thurs at 1600 hrs.