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CALL REPORT DOCUMENT'S AUTHOR: Douglas Horne/ARRB Date Created: 02/20/97 The players who initiated the call? Review Board's representative in the call: Douglas HorneUS Marine Corps's representative in the call: Gloria E. FortuneDescription of the Call Date: 02/20/97Subject: Promulgation Date of PRAM Guidelines on Issuance of USMC I.D. Cards Summary of the Call:I called Gloria Fortune today to clarify when the excerpt from the PRAM on issuance of USMC I.D. cards, which she provided to me by FAX in August 1995, was actually promulgated. When she faxed me the document (Section 3014, Identification Cards) in August 1995, it was described as "the operative guidance as of September 11, 1959," i.e., the date of Oswald's discharge. My goal today was to find out exactly when this guidance first went into effect.She pulled out her book, and informed me that the basic version of the PRAM was issued in June, 1959. However, as is the case for all military publications and regulations, the pages for Section 3014 (Identification Cards) which she now has on file, and which she previously provided to the ARRB, reflect the most recent incremental changes implemented for those particular pages--in this case, the pages for Section 3014 are marked "Ch. 2." I asked her when Change 2 was promulgated, and she said "December, 1959." Thus, the version of the PRAM provided to the ARRB was previously mis-identified as definitively being the I.D. card regulations effective as of September 11, 1959--whereas now, in light of this more precise information, it remains unclear whether this guidance was in effect when Oswald was discharged or not.Since she does not have the original (June 1959) version of these pages on file, ARRB cannot definitively determine which of these I.D. card regulations in Section 3014 were promulgated in June 1959, and which were promulgated in December 1959; this reintroduces a considerable degree of uncertainty into any study of the contemporaneous regulations governing the issuance of Lee Harvey Oswald's I.D. card when he was discharged in September, 1959.[Context is as follows: the USMC I.D. card regulations in the PRAM (Change 2, effective December 1959) require that Marines with a Reserve obligation be issued a "Red" DD Form 2MCR I.D., whereas Army regulations issued in July 1957 require that Reservists be issued a "Tan" DD Form 1173 I.D. card (reasonably implying that the DD Form 1173 issue policy instituted by the Army in July 1957 was a DOD-wide practice). Oswald was issued the "Tan" DD 1173 card. What will apparently remain unclear is whether the version of the PRAM in effect on September 1959 (when Oswald was discharged from active duty and received his I.D. card) authorized the "Tan" DD 1173, or the "Red" DD 2MCR. All that can now be known for sure is that in the Marine Corps, as of December 1959, Reservists were issued the "Red" DD Form 2MCR I.D. card.]] Don't forget to compose individual Action Item documents for any action items that resulted from the call!
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