NR_key_name: 77FDFB93CC81F3FD852564510040EDA7
SendTo: CN=David Marwell/O=ARRB @ ARRB

CopyTo:

DisplayBlindCopyTo:

BlindCopyTo: CN=R ecord/O=ARRB
From: CN=Jeremy Gunn/O=ARRB

DisplayFromDomain:

DisplayDate:03/05/1997DisplayDate_Time:6:51:57 AMComposedDate:03/05/1997ComposedDate_Time:6:49:11 AM

Subject: Lee Harvey Oswald/MACS-9

I knew nothing about this until I received the following message. I don't know whose idea it was and who, if anyone, approved it. Did you know about it. You and I should both have been told in advance and I should have been given draft questions. I do not see the nexus to records and I think this is exactly the type of interview that we should not be conducting. Please let me know your thoughts. To: Tim Wray/ARRB, Dave Montague/ARRB, Christopher Barger/ARRB, Jeremy Gunn/ARRB, Douglas Horne/ARRBcc: From: Joseph Masih/ARRB Date: 03/04/97 03:53:38 PMSubject: Lee Harvey Oswald/MACS-9CALL REPORT: PUBLICDocument's Author: Joseph Masih/ARRB Date Created: 03/04/97 The Players Who initiated the call? Review Board's representative in the call: Joseph Masih; Dave MontaguePublic's representative in the call: Buddy Allen SimcoDescription of the Call Date: 05/07/96Subject: Lee Harvey Oswald/MACS-9Summary of the Call:Montague and Masih contacted Buddy Allen Simco who served in Marine Air Control Squadron-9 in California. The primary purpose of the call was to determine if Oswald was under suspicion for his espousal of left wing beliefs, study of Russian, and Russian language publications received through the unit mail. Mr. Simco said that it was his belief that Oswald was not under suspicion even though one officer a Lt. De Padro had a problem with Oswald's receipt of Russian language literature. (The unit was composed of half officers and half enlisted because it was technical air control unit.) Simco stated that Oswald's roommate Jim Bothelo may have more to tell. Bothelo had many conversations with Oswald and was closer to him than others in the unit, but he qualified this by saying that Bothelo was as close as anyone could get to Oswald. Simco went on to say that when he was leaving the unit his position as the clerk was given to Oswald. He found that strange since the clerk position required a secret clearance and Oswald only had a confidential. He also said that Oswald could not type nor could he spell very well. The ranking NCO did not like Oswald and did not want him to hold the position nevertheless he was assigned as clerk. SImco speculated that it would be a good position to hold because it took one out of the everyday flow around the unit and would afford someone the time to take part in other tasks. Simco's personal belief is that Oswald was coached and was not a real defector. Don't forget to compose individual Action Item documents for any action items that resulted from the call!

recstat: Record

DeliveryPriority: N **DeliveryReport:** B

ReturnReceipt: Categories:

Body: