

May 30, 1996

Armed Forces Press Service
Attention: Linda Kozaryn

Dear Ms. Kozaryn:

It is my understanding that Tim Wray of our office has had a preliminary discussion with you about our attempts to locate records and historical witnesses to events surrounding the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

My name is Christopher Barger, and I am handling this project in our office. I wanted to get some information to you both regarding the Assassination Records Review Board in general, and specifically regarding our attempts to locate military records and personnel.

As demonstrated by the attention paid to the recent discovery of new film from the day of the assassination, there is still a very high public interest in the events related to that day in Dallas. That public interest can be utilized to help expand the collection of assassination material at the National Archives. For example, the discovery of the new film came about because of an article in the Dallas newspaper detailing our search for records; the owner of this film contacted us after reading the article, and we were then able to add an important new piece to the collection for posterity.

It is our hope that we will be able to work with military publications and news services such as yours to initiate a similarly effective search. If an article detailing the Board and its work was to run in military publications, we might be contacted by persons with exactly the kinds of recollections or records we need.

Our search is two-tiered: we hope to hear from persons who may have either military records or personal records in their possession; and, we hope to interview persons who took part in or were witness to events or situations somehow relating to the assassination.

Specifically, we are looking for personnel and privately held records from the following areas:

- Persons who were on duty at the NMCC (National Military Command Center) on November 22, 1963.
- Persons on or involved in the NEACP (National Emergency Airborne Command Post) flight on November 22, 1963.
- Persons on the flight or ground crews of Air Force One and Air Force Two on November 22,

1963, as well as persons from the Special Air Wing at Andrews AFB with information concerning its operations on that date.

- Persons assigned to the White House Communications Agency (most likely from the Army Signal Corps or USAF active duty personnel) involved in communications with Air Force One on November 22, 1963.
- Persons who served in a unit with Lee Harvey Oswald.
- Persons who took part in a Marine Corps investigation of Lee Harvey Oswald in Atsugi, Japan, which took place in either December 1963 or early 1964. Also, Air Force personnel who might have helped transport the investigative crew.
- Persons assigned to the 112th INTC Group, in either the San Antonio, Dallas, or New Orleans offices, during 1962-1964. Also, ONI or Air Force OSI personnel assigned to those same cities involved in domestic surveillance and/or surveillance of pro and anti-Castro groups during the same time period.
- Military personnel assigned to work with exile anti-Castro groups, especially at the CIA station in Miami, JMWAVE.

To this point, the Review Board staff have obtained such new records as the original personnel and medical files of Lee Harvey Oswald from the Marine Corps, and message traffic from the Pentagon Telecommunications Center from the early 1960's.

In order to further acquaint you with the Review Board and its work, I am including a three page fact sheet on the Board with this fax. If we can be of any further assistance to you in any way, please feel free to contact me at (202) 724-0088, ext. 259, or alternately call Tim Wray, at ext. 230. Thank you for your time, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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