

MEMORANDUM

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To: Jeremy Gunn

cc: David Marwell

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Russ Holmes Interviews/Action Items

Action items resulting from the two Russ Holmes interviews on 13 December and 20 December 1996 follow.

1. *Make sure that any relevant CI histories are placed in the JFK Collection at the National Archives.* (Gunn)
2. *Determine if the Office of Security files for Richard Snyder and John McVickar exist in the Segregated Collection. Request additional files (if any exist).* (Combs)
3. *Find out when the Office of Security file on Lee Harvey Oswald was opened. Determine what its contents were on 22 November 1963. Identify all documents in Oswald's HTLINGUAL file. Was DCI Gates correct in his testimony regarding Oswald's file?* (Combs per CIA -17)
4. *Request project files on technical surveillance programs in Mexico City. Be sure that original negatives of photo surveillance are included in these files.* (Marr/per CIA-18)
5. *Request Scott Breckinridge report on Photo Surveillance of Cuban and Soviet installations, which Russ Holmes believes exists.* (Marr/per CIA-18)
6. *Interview Scott Breckinridge.* (Skwirot)
 - A. *Discuss disposition of records.*
 - B. *Request his soft files.*
 - C. *Ask him if he has any additional information on the existence of five boxes of Win Scott materials that he supposedly examined.*
 - D. *Inquire about any memos Breckinridge may have created regarding his interviews with Anne Goodpasture.*
 - E. *Ask him about any preparation/briefing materials for CIA employees that testified or were interviewed by the HSCA.*

- F. Determine if he decided what the HSCA could and could not see.*
- G. Determine if he wrote any substantive memos.*

7. Make an official inquiry to the CIA about the notion that Win Scott's successor in Mexico City took custody of some of the files that Scott kept at his home. (Marr)

8. Query the CI staff as to any records regarding any examination or any index created as to the contents of Win Scott's safe. (Gunn/Haron (CIA compliance program))

9. Interview Sam Halpern regarding any "back-channel" communications between CIA HQ and the Mexico City station. (Gunn)

*10. Request that a CIA file check be conducted for the following names (among others):
(Combs per CIA-16)*

Andy Anderson ("OO Contact with a Marine")

Claude Barnes Capehart

Paul Garbler

Hunter Leake

Byron Morton

Marilyn Dutz Murret

Spas Raikin

Clay Shaw

11. Find open-source references (Locke Johnson book) to a CIA response to Book 5 of the Church Report (authored in part by Russ Holmes) prior to making a formal request for the paper. (Marr)