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OUTSIDE CONTACT REPORT

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I. Identifying Information:

Name Colonel Robert E. Jones Telephone 502-886-7058

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Type of Contact: ☒ Telephone
☐ Person

II. Summary of Contact:

Harold Leap and I spoke to Colonel Jones regarding his knowledge of the visit LHO made to Mexico City. Col. Jones said that he thought that that information had been in his file when he reviewed it after the assassination. He thinks that the source of the information would have been the CIA in Mexico. He said that the CIA operation in Mexico was coordinated with the 902nd Intelligence Group (Army) in Washington. He said that the information from Mexico would have been given to this group by CIA. The 902nd would have then sent the information to the Central Records Facility (CRF) at Fort Holbard (phonetic), Maryland. He would have gotten this information and included it in his files when he requested a CRF file review on Oswald prior to the assassination. He said that he had an interest in Oswald due to Oswald's pro-Castro activities in New Orleans. He stated that the CIA coordination with the 902nd was through written communications. He said that he was aware of the Mexican Operation from briefings at conferences.

III. Recommended Follow-up (if any):

Signature: Don Harshman Heas

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He said that, as commander of the 112th which was responsible for Texas, Louisiana, etc (see Leap contact report), he would have been made aware of CIA Mexican operations because of the probable use and activities of his area, agents in his area, etc, for logistics, support, etc. He said that he would have been informed as a matter of courtesy. He stated that he did not know of any operation in Mexico that involved Oswald. But, he said, he would not have been aware of operations aimed at infiltrating people into Cuba.

Colonel Jones said that his group did monitor anti-Castro Cuban operations within his five-state area. He said that he vaguely remembers the Lake Ponchartrain operations and that they had a file on them. He said that if there was a Cuban operation in his area he would have had a file on it. He does not know if the files still exist but he says that he knows where they were located when he was there. He retired in 1971. He said that he did not really remember having ever heard of Luis Posada but he may have in that he saw all kinds of lists of Cuban names, files on Cubans, etc. He said that the files may have been destroyed because of the lawsuits brought against the Army for keeping files on Americans and the Army's subsequent order to destroy those files.

He said that he does not remember the substance of what was in his file on Mexico City but guesses that it would have included a description and ID of Oswald and anyone he had contacted. He says there definately was not a photo of Oswald in the file. He said that all the material in the file, including the Mexico information, was provided orally to the FBI in Dallas and San Antonio.

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