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DATE 11/28/78 TIME 10:30 AMIdentifying Information: Telephone 502-886-7058 Name Colonel Robert E. Jones Address Type of Contact: Telephone Person Summary of Contact: II. Jones provided the following information about the confidential message sent from the 4th Army Command at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, to the U. S. Strike Command at McDill Air Force Base, Florida. The message was prepared in the office of the Chief of Staff for Intelligence at Fort Sam Houston by someone on that staff, possibly Arthur Nagel, Assistant Chief of the Security . Division, or Lt. Col. Fons, head of a branch in the Division. The message states that Fons had been in telephonic contact. with a Captain Saxton of the Strike Command on the day of the assassination, and Saxton had requested a summary of information concerning Oswald and the Fair Play for Cuba Committee. The message was in response to this request. Notations in the . Recommended Follow-up (if any): III. signature: Robert W. Fengman. OCR - Col. Robert E. Jones
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message indicate that it was not only sent to the Strike Command, but also distributed to eleven other military units. The paragraph setting forth personal data on Oswald was apparently based on information contained in the Military Intelligence file on Oswald maintained by the 112th Military Intelligence Group, for which Jones was Operations Officer. Jones believes that he read the message after it was sent.

With regard to the paragraph setting forth information provided by Don Stringfellow of the Dallas Police Department, Jones feels that the erroneous information to the effect that Oswald was a card-carrying Communist who had defected to Cuba in 1959 probably resulted from excitement and haste on Stringfellow's part. The statement that Stringfellow contacted the 112th Military Intelligence Group at Headquarters is misleading, because Stringfellow probably contacted only the Dallas office of the Group. Jones noted that this paragraph is followed by the phrase "Evaluation B-3". The letter "B" refers to the evaluation of the source of information, and the number "3" refers to the evaluation of the information. An evaluation of "A-1" is used by the military to describe the most reliable sources and information; an evaluation of "B-3" means that the reliability of the source is "good," and that the information PER P.L. 102-523 (JFK ACT)
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is "average."

The statement in the final paragraph of the message to the effect that Oswald may have traveled to the USSR via Cuba in 1959 is an erroneous inference based on the erroneous information supplied by Stringfellow.

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