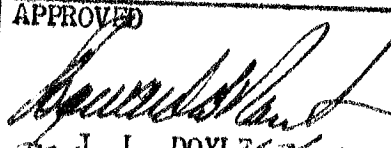


HEADQUARTERS PACIFIC AIR FORCES THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS REPORT OF INVESTIGATION	FILE NR. 33-476	DATE 27 JAN 1960
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TITLE  (U) JOHN EDWARD PIC (DOB: 17 Jan 32) CSgt, AF 11313239 USAF Hospital Tachikawa, APO 323	REPORT MADE AT DO #46, OSI (IG) PACAF, APO 94	
	PERIOD 15, 18, 21 January 1960	
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REFERENCE INITIAL REPORT; Ltr. Dir OSI (IG) PACAF, APO 953, file 31-63, dtd 29 Dec 59		
SYNOPSIS		

Investigation initiated upon direction of Director, OSI (IG) PACAF, APO 953, in an effort to establish security qualifications of SUBJECT; further, to resolve any possible sympathetic association he may have had with his half brother, who allegedly turned in his passport to American Embassy officials in Moscow, USSR, stating the intention of renouncing his U. S. citizenship. Review of files, this District Office, reflected that SUBJECT voluntarily appeared at Detachment 2, this District Office, and opined that his half brother contemplated renunciation of his citizenship because of being forced out of his chosen career (the U. S. Marine Corps) in order to take care of and support his mother; also, that he might have been influenced by the actions of two other Americans who recently renounced their citizenship and whose actions were widely publicized. SUBJECT related that he felt a moral obligation to attempt to dissuade his half brother from this action, but was reluctant to pursue the attempt unless with USAF sanction; further, should his half brother persist in his intent, he would be "legally dead" as far as SUBJECT is concerned. Correspondence from U. S. naval authorities reveals (Synopsis continued on page 1A)

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that the half brother served with Marine Air Control Squadrons with duties involving ground control intercept and the possibility he may have had access to CONFIDENTIAL information. Correspondence from U. S. State Department reflects that SUBJECT requested U. S. Embassy, Moscow, to transmit personal message to his half brother asking reconsideration of intentions. Neither the name of SUBJECT nor that of his spouse appears in the Special Files (files containing unfavorable information) of the 2710th Air Base Wing, APO 323. Review of SUBJECT's military records reflected no unfavorable information contained therein. Expiration of Term of Service (ETS) of SUBJECT: 25 September 1964. SUBJECT's Month of Travel (MOT): 6 November 1961.

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DETAILS:

1. This investigation was initiated by direction of the Director, OSI (IG) PACAF, APO 953, by letter, file 31-63, dated 29 December 1959, in an effort to establish the security qualifications of JOHN EDWARD PIC, SSgt, AF 11313239, USAF Hospital Tachikawa, APO 323; further, to resolve any possible sympathetic association he may have had with his half brother, LEE HARVEY OSWALD, who allegedly turned in his passport to American Embassy officials in Moscow, USSR, stating the intention of renouncing his U. S. citizenship.

AT TACHIKAWA AIR BASE, TACHIKAWA, HONSHU, JAPAN

2. On 15 January 1960, File 31-30, this District Office, was reviewed and the following information relative to JOHN EDWARD PIC, SSgt, AF 11313239, USAF Hospital Tachikawa, APO 323, was extracted therefrom:

On 4 November 1959, PIC voluntarily appeared at Detachment 2 of this District Office and was interviewed by Special Agent SHIGEO R. OKUMA and the writer. He related that on Sunday night, 1 November 1959, he heard a radio broadcast relative to his half brother, LEE HARVEY OSWALD, who had allegedly turned in his passport to American Embassy officials in Moscow, USSR, stating the intention of renouncing his U. S. citizenship. PIC stated that he had been to the chaplain, Tachikawa Air Base, who suggested that he report to this office. PIC stated that OSWALD is his half brother, his mother having been married several times. He identified his family as follows:

- Father: EDWARD JOHN PIC (address unknown; may be living in Louisiana).
- Mother: Mrs. MARGUERITE OSWALD (address unknown, Fort Worth, Texas).
- Half brother: ROBERT L. OSWALD, 7313 Davenport Street, Fort Worth, Texas. This brother is married and is a student at TCU.
- Half brother: LEE HARVEY OSWALD (address unknown; formerly from Fort Worth, Texas)(Former U. S. Marine).

PIC explained that his family relationship is not a close one due to his mother's several marriages. He related that his mother is a very argumentative person and is very difficult to get along with; consequently, he has severed his connections with her.

PIC related that he last saw his brother LEE approximately 6 1/2 years ago (spring or summer of 1953) when LEE was about 13 years old. At that time, LEE and his mother resided in New York City and PIC was in the U. S. Coast Guard stationed nearby.

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He described LEE as a moody and bitter youngster, and attributed this bitterness to his mother's personality. PIC said he has received only one letter from LEE and that was about two years ago when LEE first joined the Marine Corps. He related that he planned to answer the letter, but the return address was illegible, and he has never corresponded with LEE.

When questioned as to the motives LEE might have for his contemplated renunciation of citizenship, PIC stated that his mother had experienced an accident at her place of work and he believed that she requested the Marine Corps officials to discharge LEE in order that he might support and take care of her. LEE was reportedly very much attached to the Marine Corps and planned to make it a career. However, since LEE is a minor, his mother might have been successful in her request and perhaps LEE was resentful for being forced out of his chosen career. PIC related that LEE was not scheduled to be discharged normally until December 1959. PIC also believed that LEE might have been influenced by the actions of two other Americans who renounced their citizenship in recent months and whose actions were widely publicized.

PIC related that, to his knowledge, LEE had never been to Europe before, nor had he ever had any acquaintances or contacts there. He said that he did not know LEE's position in the Marine Corps, or whether he had access to classified materials or areas while a member of the military, but believed LEE does not possess any technical knowledge whatsoever.

PIC stated that he has obtained the above information concerning LEE by letter from his brother ROBERT and personally from a cousin, Miss MARILYN MURRETT, who is a teacher in Japan and resides in a hotel (name unknown) in Itabashi, Tokyo. Miss MURRETT is from New Orleans, Louisiana, and is the daughter of his mother's sister.

PIC stated that LEE's actions have caused him and his wife great mental anguish since they are loyal citizens of the United States; and although he feels he has a moral obligation to attempt to dissuade LEE from this action, he was reluctant to pursue the attempt unless it was with USAF sanction. He related that although LEE's actions invoked a strong family feeling within him and that he would do anything to stop LEE from this action, his first loyalty was to his country and to the USAF; and that should LEE persist in going through with his intent, he would be "legally dead" as far as PIC was concerned.

PIC produced two newspaper articles concerning the action of his half brother LEE HARVEY OSWALD. The clippings were taken from the "Stars and Stripes" newspaper. To date of interview, PIC's relationship with LEE had not become known locally, and PIC had not been approached by any member of the press.

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A review of the files of this District Office reflected no information pertaining to LEE HARVEY OSWALD or JOHN E. PIC.

Reproductions of the newspaper clippings given this District Office by PIC were made; a copy of which is appended to this report as an inclosure.

3. On 15 January 1960, correspondence emanating from the Directorate, OSI (IG) PACAF, APO 953, was reviewed. Within this correspondence were attachments initiated by the U. S. Naval and U. S. State Departments which are pertinent to this investigation.

The naval authorities relate summarily as follows: OSWALD is a PFC in the Inactive Marine Corps Reserve with an obligated service until 3 December 1962. OSWALD attended an Aircraft Control and Warning Operator course in 1957. He served with Marine Air Control Squadrons in Japan and Taiwan, with duties involving ground control intercept. His job description code indicates that he is an aviation electronics operator. There is no record of his clearance at Hq, Marine Corps, but the possibility exists that he may have had access to CONFIDENTIAL information. OSWALD's service number is 1653230; his DOB/POB 18 October 1939 at New Orleans, Louisiana; he was released to inactive duty on 11 September 1959; his home of record is 4936 Collinwood Street, Fort Worth, Texas. OSWALD has a brother, JOHN EDWARD PIC, 11313239, on active duty with the USAF.

The Department of State officials relate summarily as follows: USAF Staff Sergeant JOHN E. PIC, Tachikawa Air Base, called at the Embassy, Tokyo, Japan, on 6 November 1959, concerning news reports that his half brother, LEE HARVEY OSWALD, 20 years old, intends to renounce U. S. citizenship and become a Soviet citizen. According to Moscow AP dispatch in "Pacific Stars and Stripes" November 1, LEE OSWALD is at the Metropole Hotel, Moscow. UPI story dated Fort Worth, Texas, reports another brother, ROBERT L. OSWALD, has attempted to reach LEE OSWALD by cable to Moscow and has also sent a telegram to Secretary HERTER pleading for assistance in contacting him. PIC asked that the Embassy inform him of any developments about LEE OSWALD and requested that Embassy Moscow, if possible, transmit to him the following message: "Please reconsider your intentions. Contact me if possible. Love. (Signed) JOHN."

4. On 18 January 1960, a review of SUBJECT's military records reflected the following information:

NAME: JOHN EDWARD PIC  
RANK: SSgt  
AFSN: AF 11313239  
ORGANIZATION: USAF Hospital Tachikawa, APO 323

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DOB: 17 January 1932  
 POB: New Orleans, Louisiana  
 RACE: Caucasian  
 EDUCATION: GED Equivalent (H.S.) Completed 1957  
 DATE AND TERM OF ENLISTMENT: 26 September 1958 for six (6) years  
 PLACE OF ENLISTMENT: Mitchel AFB, New York  
 PRIOR SERVICE: USAF Reg, 1 February 1956-25 September 1958; SSgt; honorably discharged under provisions of AFR 39.14.  
 AFQT OR APT: Cler-9, Mech-6, Elect-7 and Tech-9  
 SECURITY CLEARANCE: None indicated  
 PERMANENT HOME ADDRESS: c/o M. OSWALD, 3006 Bristold Rd., Fort Worth (Tarrant), Texas  
 PRESENT ADDRESS: #86 Higashi-ku, Kunitachi-machi, Kitatama-gun, Tokyo  
 ETS: 25 September 1964  
 DATE DEPARTED ZI: 10 November 1958  
 MONTH OF TRAVEL: 6 November 1961  
 MARITAL STATUS: Married  
                   Wife - MARGARET D. PIC  
                   Son - JOHN E. PIC, JR. (Age-7)  
                   Daughter - JANET A. PIC (Age-5)  
 PAFSC: 90450B  
 JOB DESCRIPTION: Medical Laboratory Specialist  
 MILITARY DUTIES: NCOIC, Clinical Chemistry Section, USAF Hospital Tachikawa, APO 323  
 COURTS-MARTIAL AND ARTICLE 15's: None indicated  
 OTHER UNFAVORABLE INFORMATION: None indicated

SUBJECT's DD Form 98 (Armed Forces Security Questionnaire) and a copy of his photograph (head and shoulders) were extracted from instant records. Reproductions were made of the foregoing items; copies of which are appended to this report as inclosures. The originals of SUBJECT's DD Form 98 and photograph were returned to SUBJECT's military records after reproduction. These military records are maintained by the Administrative Section, USAF Hospital Tachikawa, APO 323.

5. On 18 January 1960, RONALD D. GREENE, A/IC, AF 14409875, Classified Documents Clerk, Security Section, Hq Sq Section, 2710th Air Base Wing, APO 323, related that neither the name of SUBJECT nor that of SUBJECT's spouse appears in the Special Files (files containing unfavorable information) of his office.

6. On 21 January 1960, ACIE C. BARFIELD, 1/Lt, 49086A, Administrative Officer, USAF Hospital Tachikawa, APO 323, furnished a copy of a DD Form 398 (Statement of Personal History) executed by SUBJECT. A reproduction of this document is appended to this report as an inclosure. The original was returned to BARFIELD for inclusion in SUBJECT's military records.

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7. The ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ classification is required on this report due to the fact it contains investigative information which requires protection against unauthorized disclosure.

INCLOSURES:

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FOR DIRECTORATE, OSI (IG) USAF, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

1. Reproduction of DD Form 98 (Armed Forces Security Questionnaire) pertaining to SUBJECT.
2. Reproduction of DD Form 398 (Statement of Personal History) pertaining to SUBJECT.
3. Reproduction of photograph (head and shoulders) of SUBJECT.
4. Reproduction of newspaper clippings from "Pacific Stars and Stripes" pertaining to OSWALD.

FOR COMMANDER, 2710TH AIR BASE WING, APO 323

Inclosure 4 as above.

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FOR DISTRICT OFFICE NR. 4, BOLLING AIR FORCE BASE, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.  
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FOR DISTRICT OFFICE NR. 21, LANGLEY AIR FORCE BASE, HAMPTON, VIRGINIA  
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