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BYELARUS: KGB CHIEF OPPOSES RELEASE OF LEE HARVEY OSWALD FILES
OWO408163592 MOSCOW INTERFAX IN ENGLISH 1559 GMT 4 AUG 92

FOLLOWING ITEM TRANSMITTED VIA KYODO

TEXT BYELARUS'S KGB CHIEF EDUARD SHIRKOVSKIY HAS HIGHLY
PRAISED THE BYELARUSIAN-UKRAINIAN AGREEMENT ON COOPERATION BETWEEN
THE SECRET SERVICES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES SIGNED IN KIEV ON JULY 31.
HE POINTED OUT THE FACT THAT THE REPUBLICAN KGB CARRIED OUT ONLY
INTELLIGENCE AND COUNTERINTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES NEEDED FOR A NEUTRAL
STATE.

EDUARD SHIRKOVSKIY SAID THAT HE HAD PERSONALLY EXAMINED THE CASE
OF LEE HARVEY OSWALD AND ADDED THAT IT WOULD BE DECLASSIFIED ONLY BY
PERMISSION OF PARLIAMENT. THE KGB GENERAL BELIEVES THAT IT SHOULD
NOT BE DONE, FOR THE SIX VOLUMES OF MATERIALS OF THE CASE REVEAL ALL
METHODS OF OPERATION WORK OF THE SECRET SERVICE. THOUGH, EDUARD
SHIRKOVSKIY EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT LEE HARVEY OSWALD WAS UNLIKELY
TO BE INVOLVED IN THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN KENNEDY. HE
ADDED THAT LEE HARVEY OSWALD WAS NEITHER KGB, NOR CIA COLLABORATOR,
AND THAT HE WAS NO MARKSMAN.

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