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5/16/78
Leslie Wizelman
OS

Gordon Barton McLendon

① At date 2/27/52: subject is pres. of a co. which will provide accreditation [in Japan] to [a contract agent of this organization.] It is not expected that subject will learn of [the agent's] connection with this organization however. Category: Covert Associate

② Military History:

1942 - Entered Navy Japanese Language School

1943 - Graduated Navy Japanese Language School

1944 - Commissioned U.S. Navy - Assigned as Intelligence Officer, ONI Discharged as Lt

1946 - Attended Harvard Law School

Wife is the daughter of James A. Noe, former governor of Louisiana.

③ 7-29-52 - Covert security clearance denied.

④ Envelope - 3rd Agency

(a) Background investigation dtd January 1966

(b) ONI Background investigation - April 1943

(c) Civil Service Commission Background investigation dtd May 1952

(d) FBI Report, 4/22/55 Title: Gordon McLendon; Howard W. Davis - victim

(e) FBI Report 4/19/55 Title: As above

(f) memo dtd 7/25/52 reflecting identity of confidential informant in 1952 Background Investigation

(g) Background Investigation dtd June 1952

(h) ONI Background Investigation dtd April 1943 (same as above)

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McLendon (continued)

- (S) SA memo dated 3-27-78 - from OS stating In Dec 1965
the Directorate of Operations again requested a Covert Security
Approval on Subject in his position with the McLendon
Broadcasting System, Dallas. Field investigation was "basically
favorable"

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