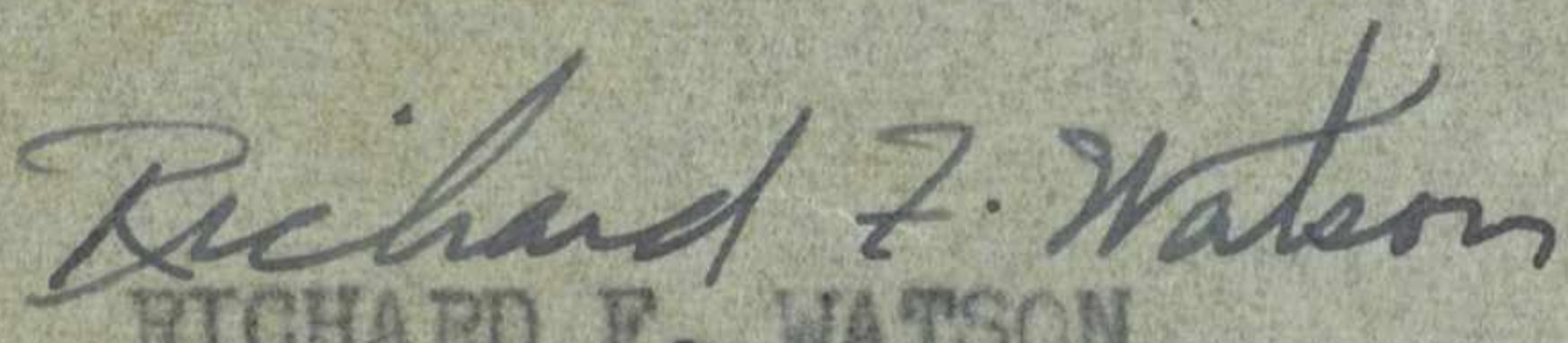
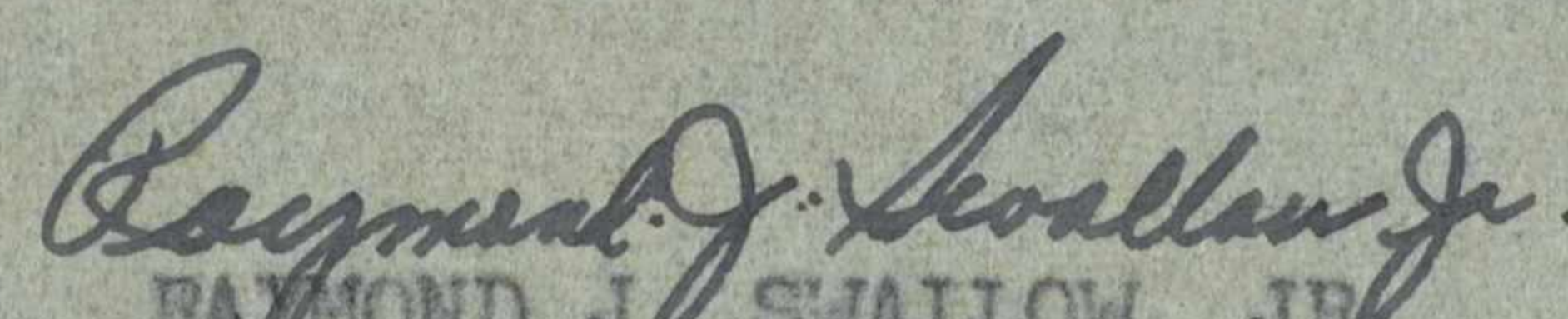


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DATE OF REPORT 3 March 1953	DATE OF INFORMATION 1 March 1953	EVALUATION
PREPARED BY (Officer) RICHARD F. WATSON, 1st Lt, USAF		SOURCE
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable) AFL 200-5, 29 April 1952 Intelligence		
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