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ASSASSINATION RECORDS REVIEW BOARD RELEASES ADDITIONAL CIA AND FBI RECORDS

The Assassination Records Review Board has released 52 additional CIA and FBI documents relating to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

The Review Board released 43 CIA documents, 27 in full and 16 in part. These documents relate to Lee Harvey Oswald's trip to Mexico City in the fall of 1963, only weeks before the assassination of President Kennedy.

The Board agreed with the CIA that some information relating to sensitive intelligence sources and methods should not be publicly released at this time. The Board voted that one entire CIA document and some redacted parts of other documents still need to be protected, but also noted they contain no information about the assassination of President Kennedy or about Lee Harvey Oswald. In other instances, the Board proposed substitute language which gives some relevant information in place of the redactions, while not revealing the sensitive intelligence information.

The Board also voted to release 9 FBI documents (including duplicate copies) in full. These FBI documents involve: the Bureau's investigation of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee in 1961; the Bureau's post-assassination investigation of Michael R. Paine, the husband of Ruth Paine, with whom Marina Oswald was residing prior to the assassination; and discussion of the relations of the FBI, the Warren Commission, and the Dallas district attorney's office. On October 23, 1995, the Review Board voted to reconsider two other FBI documents from this group which had originally been scheduled for release. The Board will reconsider these documents at a future date.

The original CIA and FBI documents being released have been transferred to the National Archives and Records Administration for inclusion in The President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection, which is housed at the National Archives facility in College Park, Maryland.