

ASSASSINATION RECORDS ADVISORY

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ASSASSINATION RECORDS REVIEW BOARD VOTES TO RELEASE CIA, FBI, HSCA, NSA, AND INS RECORDS

April 23-24, 1997 Board Meeting Totals

The Assassination Records Review Board voted on April 23-24, 1997 to release 513 CIA, FBI, HSCA, NSA, and INS documents, including duplicates, related to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

CIA Records

The Review Board voted to release 153 CIA records in part. These documents are part of the so-called "Sequestered Collection." The records relate primarily to Cuban exiles and anti-Castro/anti-communist groups, including subjects such as Alpha 66, and Cuban activities in Mexico City. Included in this group of records are 35 HSCA documents with CIA equities. These documents consist of HSCA staff notes. In addition, 71 documents are available in full by consent release.

FBI Records

The Board also voted to release 121 FBI records, 43 in full and 78 in part. These documents relate in part to the JFK assassination investigation, the related coordination between the FBI and the CIA, and the Ku Klux Klan reaction to the assassination.

HSCA Records

The testimony of James Angleton to the HSCA is now available in part at the National Archives. The testimony contains 19 redactions, consisting primarily of names and locations.

In addition to the 35 HSCA documents mentioned above, 102 HSCA documents are available in full by consent release.

NSA Records

The Board voted to release 13 NSA documents in part. These records include NSA's correspondence with the HSCA, as well as with the public about the work of the HSCA. An

additional 33 NSA documents will be available in full by consent release.

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INS Records

The Review Board voted to release one INS document in part. This document is from Marina Oswald Porter's INS file and it is a November 1978 application for Issuance or Extension of Permit to Reenter the United States. The redacted portion consists of a social security number.

Designation of Assassination Records

As part of the mandate of the Review Board to identify assassination records, the Board designated additional Secret Service records as "assassination records." These records include the USSS-FBI Agreement (drafts dated 11/27/64 and 12/3/64.) The Review Board also designated the film known as the out-of-camera original Zapruder film as an "assassination record" at its April 24, 1997 open meeting.

Ford Library Consent Releases

The Ford Library has transferred 19 documents to the National Archives and Records Administration for inclusion in the JFK Assassination Records Collection. These documents consist primarily of records from the Church and Rockefeller Commissions.

Secret Service Records

The following Secret Service documents are among records that have recently been transferred to the National Archives for inclusion in the JFK Collection: the Classified Document Log 1961-1965, the file from the Secret Service New York Field Office, USSS Correspondence with the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, and the files on Abraham Bolden, Raymond Broshears, and Pedro Diaz Lanz. The Secret Service has also agreed to open its equities in 25 assassination-related Department of Justice documents including correspondence and memos in the following categories: Declassification Review (1970-1975) and Classified Subject File-Official Mail. The time frame for these 25 documents is 1963-1981. In addition, the Secret Service's file on Richard Case Nagell has been transferred to the National Archives.

Notification to the President and the Agencies

Notification of the Review Board's action on the above documents was sent to the President of the United States and the agencies on May 12, 1997. The President has 30 days to agree or disagree

with the Review Board's decisions.

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