

1. By the end of 1996/early 1997 it was well known that documents were being used by Hersh in connection with his Kennedy book.
2. We were aware of the records through several sources with whom we had contact, as well as media reports.
3. In early January 1997, David received a call from Hersh after he had apparently learned of our interest in the documents, as they may or may not relate to the assassination and our mandate.
4. That conversation began the dialogue with Hersh.
5. We asked Hersh to come in and meet with the Board and that occurred on February 13.
6. Subsequent to the February 13 meeting, the Board decided that it wanted to see the documents.
7. Obenhaus had some contact with Cusack regarding our interest.
8. We then dealt directly with Cusack to schedule a preliminary review of documents.
9. The preliminary review of document copies occurred on June 9.
10. At nearly the same time as the preliminary review, the Board received information casting doubt on the authenticity of the records.
11. No determination had been made by the Board relative to the documents.
12. No additional steps are planned by the Board relative to these records.