

ASSASSINATION RECORDS ADVISORY

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ASSASSINATION RECORDS REVIEW BOARD VOTES TO RELEASE CIA, HSCA, FBI, JOHNSON LIBRARY, DEPARTMENT OF STATE, AND NSA DOCUMENTS

January 22, 1998 Board Meeting Totals

The Assassination Records Review Board met on January 22, 1998 and processed for release 4,835 CIA, FBI, HSCA, Johnson Library, Department of State, and NSA documents related to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

CIA/HSCA Records

The Review Board voted to release 707 CIA and three HSCA documents in part. The CIA records include documents regarding E. Howard Hunt's personnel files, Yuri Nosenko's compensation agreement with the CIA, and files on Ivan Alferyev, Boris Belitsky, Manuel Artime, Luis Conte Aguerra, David Morales, and JMWAVE. The HSCA documents contain staff notes from the CIA files. An additional 294 HSCA records will be open in full by consent release.

FBI Records

The Board also voted to release 1,126 FBI documents, eight in full and 1,118 in part. The majority of these documents are from the HSCA subject files, which contain issues that the HSCA investigated as potentially relevant to the assassination of President Kennedy. These particular HSCA subjects include Sam Giancana, Jack Caesar Grossi, La Cosa Nostra, Gabriel Mannarino, Sam Mannarino, Pedro Diaz Lanz, Edward Browder, Jr., John Orion Pittman, and Frank Sturgis. In addition, 2,459 FBI documents will be open in full by consent release.

Johnson Library Records

The Review Board voted to release nine documents from the Johnson Library in part. These documents include 1963 Standing Group Meetings on Cuba, State Department and CIA memos regarding the situation in Southeast Asia, U.S. policy toward Cuba and western hemisphere relations following the death of President Kennedy, and a November 1963 Office of the Secretary of Defense report to the Joint Chiefs of Staff regarding the Military Force Structure. An additional 153 documents from the Johnson Library will be open in full by consent release.

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Department of State Records

The Board voted to release six State Department records in part. These documents include CIA cables pertaining to Lee Harvey Oswald's Intourist guide in Moscow, CIA memos assessing Secret Service protection for President Kennedy's 1962 visit to Brazil, and a State Department memo regarding security concerns for President Kennedy's 1961 trip to South America. In addition, the State Department passport file on Robert Edward Webster is open in full and has been transferred to the JFK Collection at the National Archives. An additional 59 State Department documents will be open in full by consent release.

NSA Records

The Review Board voted to release 19 NSA documents in part. These documents include Senate Select Committee on Intelligence requests regarding NSA work performed for the Warren Commission, HSCA requests for information, communications intelligence reports regarding Cuba in the days following the assassination, and NSA responses to Review Board questions.

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 February 2, 1998. Unless an agency objects and the President agrees with that objection, the documents will be available 30 days from the date of the Federal Register notification, and after administrative processing.

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