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1. IN REGARD REF A, FBI DOES NOT HAVE THE PERSONNEL TO EXAMINE FIRST 40,000 PAGES (WHICH CONTAINED IN 200 SECTIONS) OF THOSE FBI FILES ON THE JOHN F. KENNEDY ASSASSINATION TO SATISFY ~~STATION~~ REQUEST. THESE DOCUMENTS ARE NOT INDEXED, ARE IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER, AND THERE NO WAY TO DETERMINE WHICH DOCUMENTS RELATE TO MEXICO EXCEPT BY SEARCH OF EACH INDIVIDUAL DOCUMENT. THUS LA DIVISION HAS SENT THREE MEXICO DESK REPS TO BUREAU TO MAKE INITIAL SEARCH. AS OF 1700 HOURS, 6 DECEMBER, LA REPS HAVE ONLY REVIEWED 10 OF 200 SECTIONS. WILL CONTINUE SEARCH ON 7 DECEMBER AND ADVISE.

2. UPON RECEIPT REF C, HQS REPS WENT BACK TO FBI AND THEY ACKNOWLEDGED THAT OTHER DOCUMENTS COULD HAVE BEEN RELEASED WHICH THEY DID NOT LOCATE AND THUS WERE NOT PASSED TO RTACTION. ON 7 DECEMBER, MEXICO DESK PERSONNEL WILL BRING STERILE COPY OF REF C TO BUREAU AND ASSIST THEM IN ATTEMPTING LOCATE DOCUMENTS CITED REF C.

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