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Subject: DiEugenio Questions (Hard Copy in Your "In" Box)

PLEASE REVIEW AND FEEL FREE TO SUPPLEMENT WHAT I HAVE WRITTEN FOR RESPONSES TO DI EUGENIO'S QUESTIONS. IN SOME instances, I did not know the answer to the question and rely on you. Please advise. Thanks. DiEugenio

1. Starting a new independent federal agency brought with it inherent difficulties having to do with finding office space that met our requirements, selecting a staff, getting staff security clearances, establishing relations with federal agencies, and establishing a process for the review of records. The Executive Director starting working for the Review Board in August 1994, senior staff members came in November 1994, and the rest of the staff was hired in the following months. The start-up period began in earnest when staff members arrived and continued until the first Board vote on the release of assassination records in June 1995. The Board's focus has been the review and release of records since June of last year.

2. The Review Board received more than 1,000 applications for staff positions. The Board sought, and has succeeded, in hiring a professional staff that would support the Review Board. The members of the Board wanted staff members with varied backgrounds, including historians, lawyers, and archivists, who would bring the experience and abilities necessary for the Board to fulfill its mandate.

3. Sheryl Walter left the Review Board approximately one year ago to take a position with the Commission on Protecting and Reducing Government Secrecy (Moynihan Commission). Jeremy Gunn was named Acting General Counsel upon Ms. Walter's departure and was named General Counsel (Jeremy, David or Tracy can fill in date).

4. On (approximate number to be filled in by David or Jeremy) occasions, after the Board has voted on a document, an agency has advised the Review Board that it has additional information relating to a specific document. In an effort to make the best possible decision, fulfill the intent of the JFK Act and in acknowledgment that the process is new for everyone, the Board has on occasion postponed information contained in an assassination record, based on the additional information provided by the agency.

5. (I do not know the answers to these questions -- need help from David and Jeremy).

6. Board member Henry Graff is in excellent health. He has been an active member of the Review Board, in regular contact with Board staff members in between meetings and an important participant in discussion during Board meetings.

7. & 8. The Review Board has several ongoing areas of investigation relating to different categories of assassination records. Information will be made public as these investigations progress. In some ongoing matters, information will not be released now in an effort to protect the integrity and professionalism of the investigation. As part of our investigation into the medical evidence and records, we have deposed Drs. Humes, Boswell and Finck. It is expected that these depositions will be made public by the end of the year. All of the records of the Review Board will

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