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06/12/97Description of Activity Activity Date: 06/12/97Subject: Recent On Line versions of statements re: the ARRB ExtensionDescription of the Activity: Copyright 1997 Federal Information Systems Corporation Federal News Service JUNE 4, 1997, WEDNESDAYSECTION: IN THE NEWSLENGTH: 1592 wordsHEADLINE: PREPARED STATEMENT OF STEVEN D. TILLEYCHIEF OF THE ACCESS AND FREEDOM OF INFORMATION STAFFNATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATIONBEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REFORM AND OVERSIGHTSUBCOMMITTEE ON NATIONAL SECURITY, INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, AND CRIMINAL JUSTICEBODY:Mr. Chairman, I am Steven D. Tilley, Chief of the Access and Freedom ofInformation Act Staff of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). I wish to thank you for the opportunity to testify today on behalf of NARA in support of H. R. 1553, which will extend the authorization of the John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Review Board for one year to September 30,1998. I am appearing today in my capacity as NARA's Chief of the President JohnF. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection. In that role I am charged withimplementing NARA's responsibilities under the Act and I serve as NARA's liaisonto the Assassination Records Review Board (ARRB). This afternoon I would like totell you a little bit of my background concerning records of the assassination of President Kennedy, explain the role of NARA in implementing the Act, andoutline why the National Archives and Records .Administration supports passageof this important piece of legislation. Mr. Chairman, my career as an archivist has involved working with some of themost sensitive and highly classified records of our Government. I oversaw the closing of the office of the Watergate Special Prosecution Force (WSPF) and supervised the transfer of these records to the National Archives in 1977. Iworked with the records of the WSPF for more than I 1 years, serving for most ofthat time as the senior archivist for those records. I also served as the seniorarchivist for the records of the National Security Council (NSC) following thetransfer of the NSC records of the Truman and Eisenhower Administrations in 1983. In 1989 1 joined the staff of the National Security Council, where Iserved as Director of Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act Activities and later as NSC's Director of Information Disclosure with responsibility for alldisclosure activities of the NSC. In 1993, I returned to NARA to become the Chief of the JFK Collection, and I have served in that capacity ever since. Ibecame the Chief of the Access and FOIA Staff in January of this year. Under the JFK Act, NARA had several major responsibilities. Three of these requirements, however, proved to be central to the work of the AssassinationRecords Review Board. Our first responsibility was to formally establish the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection which we accomplished with

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