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Subject: Letter to Barbara A. Retzlaff, Senate Appropriation Subcommittee

Eileen: I need your help -- again. Please review the attached letter. I need it to go to Retzlaff along with the Annual Report ("non-fancy"/Valujet version) and the six page summary/budget justification (This is the two page summary + four pages of numbers that Tracy/David did). I told her we would have it up to her by tomorrow morning, so if it didn't get out today, that would be okay. Give me a call at (617) 482-1350 when you have a minute to talk. As always, thank you. TomMarch 11, 1997Ms. Barbara A. RetzlaffTreasury, General Government, and Civil Service Appropriation SubcommitteeUnited States Senate196 Dirksen Senate Office BuildingWashington, DC 20510Dear Ms. Retzlaff:Thank you for taking the time today to discuss the future of the Assassination Records Review Board. Per our telephone conversation, I am enclosing a copy of our FY 1996 Annual Report and a five page summary and budget justification. One more year of operation is critical to the Review Board. It will allow the Board to complete the review and release of the important CIA and FBI records that were requested of those agencies by the House Select Committee on Assassinations during its investigation. As I mentioned, we have been in communication with the White House, the Office of Management and Budget, Senate Governmental Affairs Committee staff, Senator Specter's office, and Senator Glenn's office, as well as Tammy Perrin from the majority staff of your Subcommittee, regarding the Board's need for an extension through FY 1998. I will keep you advised of what we hear from these offices. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 724-0088, if you have any questions or need additional information. Again, thank

**Body:** you for your time and interest in the Review Board.Sincerely,Thomas E. SamolukAssociate Director

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