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Eileen -- Here is the FBI team update on our activities since March 30, 1998. Since it has only been 1/2 a month since our last report on 3/30, the FBI page counts are really, REALLY low. Although the FBI's slowdown is responsible for a significant decrease, you might want to mention in the report that a full month has not yet passed since the last report and so the FBI looks worse in this report than they would if we counted on 4/30.

"The FBI team has negotiated 5,054 pages of records from the HSCA subject files with the FBI. The HSCA subject files that have been through the negotiation stage include: Mollie Block, Anatoli Mikmailovich Golitsyn, Evelio Diaz Miyar, Yuri Ivanovich Nosenko, Orest Pena, James Plumeri, Santiago Alvarez Rodriguez, George Senator, Joseph Shimon, Socony Mobil Oil Co., and Jack Wasserman. As the Review Board predicted in its March 31, 1998, report to Congress, the FBI's pace of review is now significantly behind our goal of 20,000 pages per month. On March 31, 1998, the Review Board received a letter from Director Freeh explaining that the FBI did not anticipate that it could complete its work on its assassination records before the Review Board's termination on September 30, 1998. Both the Review Board and the FBI met with members of Chairman Burton's staff to explain our differing views of how much additional time the FBI needs to complete its work. (The FBI estimated that it could not complete its work until February, 2000. The Review Board believes that the FBI can complete the vast majority of its work by September 30, 1998.) On April 3, 1998, and again on April 10, 1998, Review Board staff met with FBI staff and determined that the FBI would be able to complete the majority of its work by September 30, 1998. We continue to be pleased with the cooperation that we receive from the FBI and we hope that we will not encounter any additional delays in the completion of our work." I am copying Kevin on this e-mail so that he can send you the final number of green documents and consent releases from March. If you have any questions or if you need additional information, let me

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