

MEMORANDUM

October 15, 1996

To: The Assassination Records Review Board

From: Brian E. Rosen

Subject: HSCA Department of Defense Documents to be Reviewed at October 15, 1996 Board Meeting

The attached HSCA documents from the HSCA numbered files are unclassified Department of Defense-generated documents currently before the Board for review. The staff forwarded these documents to Department of Defense Associate Deputy General Counsel Stewart F. Aly on February 8, 1996. In an attached letter, we informed Mr. Aly that we intended to include the documents on the Board's agenda for its March 18-19, 1996 meeting and requested a response from him by March 8, 1996. Despite this letter and subsequent telephone calls from Tim Wray to Stewart Aly, we have received no response or status report regarding these documents.

The staff currently has determined that any response or presentation of evidence from the Department of Defense is unlikely. For this reason, we recommend full release of these documents in a form consistent with established Board policies.

The staff has coded these documents "yellow" solely because they are being placed before the Board for review without the benefit of Department of Defense input. These documents do not contain any additional issues that would merit "yellow" classification.