

MEMORANDUM

TO: Ron Haron
FROM: Chris Burton
DATE: 6/23/98
RE: Sen. Moynihan's Papers at Library of Congress

Following our discussion yesterday, I went to the Library of Congress and looked through the two folders among Daniel P. Moynihan's papers that are related to the assassination of President Kennedy. Many of the papers in these folders are newspaper and magazine articles relating to media coverage of the assassination, the Warren Commission, and the trial of Jack Ruby.

Moynihan's documents held at the Library of Congress include a transcript of a television interview Moynihan gave to WTOP in Washington within a few days after the assassination. Also included are letters between Moynihan and individuals who wrote to praise him for his eloquence during the interview.

Also among Moynihan's papers is an account of how he learned of the assassination. After hearing the news, Moynihan and his colleagues rushed to the White House. His account also includes his observations of the reactions of people at the White House.

Attached is a more specific list of the contents of the folders.

Papers of Daniel P. Moynihan Relating to the JFK Assassination

- Account of how Moynihan learned of the assassination/reaction at the White House.
- Transcript of interview with WTOP-TV (transcript dated 12/5/63) re: assassination/new administration.
- Poem by W.H. Auden about the death of President Kennedy
- Poem about President Kennedy by Dick Goodwin (published in *The New Yorker*, 7/11/64).
- Articles from *The Washington Post*, 7/23/64 on Jack Ruby.
- Column by Chalmers P. Roberts re: the Warren Commission and rumors of conspiracy.
- Copy of a preliminary report from the University of Chicago based on a study of popular reactions to the assassination.
- Article from *The New York Times*, 6/1/64, on the Warren Report.
- Handwritten note on stationary from the Editorial Office of *Commentary*, dated 12/17, discussing upcoming magazine articles about the assassination.
- "Assassination Myths"-Article from *The Washington Star*, 2/22/64
- Several articles about the verdict in the trial of Jack Ruby.
- Letters to and from Moynihan concerning his interview with WTOP, and his involvement in a BBC tribute to President Kennedy.
- Newspaper column from late November 1963, discussing media coverage of the assassination.
- Copy of the official statement made by Mayor Wagner of New York, 11/22/63, on the assassination.
- Proclamation made by Mayor Wagner, 11/22/63.
- Copies of speeches made by Mayor Wagner, 11/24/63 and 11/25/63.
- Book review of *A Tribute to John F. Kennedy*, from *The New York Times*.