

MEMORANDUM

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To: Mary McAuliffe

From: Dennis J. Quinn

Subject: Additional Survey of JFK-Segregated Collection at CIA

At your request, Bob and I have conducted a survey of the JFK Collection. This was intended to compliment the initial survey that Manuel and Michelle undertook on March 7. Of the 63 boxes of files, we looked through approximately 20. This was not a complete, document-by-document review, but a quick search to determine the content of the files and hopefully get a clearer picture of the issues that lie ahead. What follows is intended to provide a brief summary of our survey.

Of the 20 boxes surveyed, I estimate that 65-75% of the material deals with Mexico City. This includes numerous copies of cable traffic about Oswald's visit to the Soviet and Cuban Embassies/Consulate; the photo of the "Unknown Man;" requests for photos of Oswald and cable traffic after the assassination. In addition, there are reports and memoranda concerning Sylvia Duran and other sources used to gather information on Oswald's visit. Much of this material reappears in later documents dealing with the Warren Commission and HSCA, as well as FOIA requests and related litigation. The redactions are for all the standard names and crypts we've seen before.

The rest of the material, as Manuel described it, consists of "a mishmash of documents." Certainly they are in the collection because HSCA staffers requested and reviewed them. While some of the documents are assassination related, others appear to be the result of HSCA fishing exhibitions. Examples of some of the subject areas include:

- Reports and memoranda regarding Yuri Nosenko, specifically the two polygraph examinations he was given. Not a lot of unusual redactions.
- Material extracted from CIA employee personnel files. I suspect there will be privacy issues in all of these documents.
- Security files on a wide assortment of people, particularly Cubans and organized crime figures. Most of the redactions are names.
- Material about the CIA/U-2 Detachment at Atsugi. The CIA will be very protective of this.

- Files from OGC related to various litigation during the 1970s. Mostly names.
- Various cables from stations throughout the world (several which we have not dealt with yet). Most of the cables were pre-assassination are related to a specific CIA operation.
- Material about Kostikov and his conversation with Oswald. Most of the redactions are standard Mexico City issues.

I hope this helps. If you need any further review or amplification of what has been reviewed just let me know.