

Dear Mr. Marcus:

Thank you very much for your letter of ____ and for the inventory of your private collection.

We very much appreciate your offer to donate your records to the JFK Assassination Records Collection at the Nation Archives. Your kind offer as well as that of other individuals has prompted us to establish certain guidelines for the kinds of records that we believe should be made part a permanent part of the collection. The Board will consider designating as assassination records the following kinds of collections:

The personal papers of individuals who somehow participated in events related to the assassination or its investigation (e.g., James Hosty, Jim Garrison, James Rankin)

The personal papers of individuals who interviewed (at an early time) key participants in events related to the assassination or its investigation (e.g., Priscilla McMillan, David Lifton)

Although we would be interested in reviewing certain files in your possession (see attached list), we do not feel that the collection as a whole meets our criteria.

Our decision in your case should not discourage you from offering your records to a library or archive. Your papers will clearly be of interest to students of the assassination for years to come.

Thank you again for your interest and support.