ASSASSINATION RECORDS RELEASE ADVISORY

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ASSASSINATION RECORDS REVIEW BOARD VOTES TO RELEASE ADDITIONAL CIA, FBI, AND HSCA RECORDS

The Assassination Records Review Board voted on December 12 and 13, 1995, to release 127 additional CIA, FBI and House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA) documents relating to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

The Review Board voted to release 57 CIA documents, 23 in full and 34 in part. These documents relate to the CIA's broad post-assassination investigation of Lee Harvey Oswald, as well as Oswald's trip to Mexico City in the fall of 1963, only weeks before the assassination of President Kennedy.

The Board also voted to release 47 FBI documents, 25 in full and 22 in part. These documents relate in part to the Fair Play for Cuba Committee's reaction to the assassination of President Kennedy. Other documents relate to Oswald's trip to Mexico City.

In addition, the Board voted to release 23 HSCA documents in full which relate primarily to David Ferrie's attempt to get reinstated as a pilot with Eastern Airlines after his dismissal by the airline following the filing of 'corruption of minors' charges against him.

Notification of the Review Board's action on these documents was sent to the President of the United States and the agencies on December 28, 1995. The President has 30 days to agree or disagree with the Review Board's determinations.

The Review Board also determined that additional HSCA records described on page 9 of the attached Federal Register notice may now be opened in full. In addition, after consultation with the Review Board staff, the FBI has agreed to open in full 355 assassination records, which previously contained postponements. These FBI documents are identified on pages 9-13 of the Federal Register notice. Because the full release of these HSCA and FBI records is not in dispute, the Review Board was not required to vote on them.

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