October 29, 1996

Ms. Tina Houston Supervisory Archivist Lyndon Baines Johnson Library 2313 Red River Street Austin, Texas 78705

Dear Ms. Houston:

Thank you for your fax of 10/4/96 which provided us with copies of document lists and outstanding JFK cases currently awaiting declassification review and/or coordination by relevant government agencies. According to our records, this group of documents represents a total of 59 records which have not been reviewed by the Board and are broken down as follows:

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In addition to this group of pending documents, there are another 73 records in our "Postponed" database which have been either postponed in part or in full, and another 14 records in our "Referred" database which have been postponed in full. In compliance with the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act, the *unredacted* versions of these records must be forwarded to the Assassination Records Review Board, not to the individual agency which has classification jurisdiction, for review. It should be strongly noted that these records are not to be handled as FOIA issues, but are instead defined by and subject to the requirements of the JFK Act. As we are anxious to complete this phase of the review process, we would like to stress the importance of making these full records available to us, and ask that you arrange to have copies sent directly to our office in Washington as soon as possible. We are more than willing to make the necessary arrangements to have access to these records and are open to any suggestions you may have to expedite their transfer and storage.

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In our on-going efforts to locate additional assassination records as mandated under the Act, we would also like to review those records from the LBJ Library's National Security File which could be related to the assassination. Based on our review of the File index, we have compiled a list (attached) of specific country files which we believe are worth reviewing. In order to determine whether they contain records that qualify as relevant to the assassination, we would like to make arrangements to review these files in the near future.

We greatly appreciate your cooperation in assisting us with our requests and look forward to continuing to work with the LBJ Library in accordance with the objectives of the JFK Act. Should you have any questions or prefer to discuss this over the telephone, please feel free to contact me or Irene Marr, who has replaced Michelle Seguin on this project, at (202) 724-0088.

Sincerely yours,

T. Jeremy Gunn General Counsel and Associate Director for Research and Analysis

Attachment

Ms. Tina Houston October 29, 1996 Attachment: **Requests for Records from the National Security File**

Country File	Topic	Dates	Box
Latin America	Memos re: "Cuba Miscellaneous"	11/63-6/65	20
u	Activities of Leading Personalities	10/64-2/65	u
u	Castro's Speeches vols.1-3	10/63-7/65	"
u	Contacts with Cuban Leaders	5/63-4/65	"
u	Chronology of Important Events	1957-1963	"
u	Cuba Exile Activities, vols.1-3	11/63-65	"
u	Intelligence, vols. 1-2	11/63-4/65	24
u	Intelligence-Covert Program	1/64-6/65	u
u	Missile Crisis	1962	30
u	TDCSs [CIA Intelligence Information Cable], vols. 1-2.	11/63-6/64; 6/64-6/65	31
u	Post-Cuba Negotiations with USSR	11/62	36
u	Intelligence Reports vols. 1-2	1962-63	37
u	CIA Daily and Weekly Summaries	12/64-5/65	"
"	Lopez Mateos Correspondence Lopez Mateos Visit	1964	61
Europe and USSR	Kennedy-Krushchev Talks at Vienna Kennedy-Krushchev Talks	6/3-4/61 6/61	228
Asia and the Pacific	Cambodia vols. I-III	11/63-2/64	236
u	Laos vols. I-VII	11/63-7/64	265

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