

February 13, 1998

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Re: FBI Third-Party Review of Assassination Records Referred by the Investigative Records Repository

Dear Ms. Keeley:

I am writing you in your capacity as the designated JFK Compliance Official for the FBI. The purpose of this letter is to request that the FBI promptly review and return all "assassination records" that previously were forwarded to you for third-agency review by the U.S. Army Investigative Records Repository (IRR).

Listed below are the case numbers, subject names, and page numbers of outstanding referrals that our records indicate were sent to the FBI by IRR, and have not (as of February 9, 1998) been returned to IRR:

<u>Case No. and Subject Name</u>	<u>Total Pages</u>	<u>Page Numbers</u>
2-J Medina De Oca, Armando	24	17-40
5-J Arthur, Edward I. 128-173		46
7-J Romero Delgado, Epifano 2-72		71
8-J Avila, Orlando B.		18

36-53			
9-J 6-91	Hemming, Gerald R.		86
12-J 132-148	Veciana Blanch, Antonio C.	23	2-7,
14-J 287-344 539-688 925-1049,	Prio Socarras, Carlos	880	9, 25-125, 497-502, 869-870, 1089-1098, 1122- 1127, 1139-1171, 1175-1176, 1201- 1202, 1331-1377, 1446-1458, 1471- 1513, 1634-1653, 1659-1662, 1692-1694, 1736, 1764, 1930, 1934 1987-1999, 2055- 2065, 2199-2364, 2373-2374, 2679- 2683, 2766-2767A, 2988-3070
25-J	Hargraves, Roy E.	7	4-9
27-J 1171A-1171GGG,	Werbell, Mitchell L.		129 1172-1173, 1174- 1174B, 1175-1175B
29-J 1245-1246	Slovoda, Vladimir	14	922-933,

I am enclosing IRR's revised listing of outstanding pages, as of 2 Feb 98, that were referred from IRR to the FBI.

We are requesting that by February 27, 1998, you : (a) complete your declassification review of the referrals listed above; (b) return the records to IRR with any suggested redactions ("postponements" under the JFK Act) highlighted or bracketed; (c) provide reason codes for any postponements identified in accordance with Section 6 of the JFK Act; and (d) submit your evidence in support of desired postponements as attachments to each document package returned to IRR. The Chief of IRR is aware that the Review Board is contacting agencies to which IRR had referred records and supports our efforts to expedite the completion of declassification review, so that all IRR records can be placed before the Review Board.

To the extent that the FBI has not completed processing its equities in the above-referenced records because the FBI's corresponding "HSCA subject" files are in ongoing negotiations with members of the ARRB staff, please identify the serials within the FBI files at issue to us at your earliest convenience. Once we know which serials are pending, we can ensure that the Bureau is able to return the records to IRR by the end of February.

For any document referral packages not returned to IRR by February 27, the Review Board will infer that the agencies concerned do not object to "release in full" of any equities they hold in those documents, and will act accordingly.

A one-time extension from the deadline of October 17, 1997 has already been granted and another extension cannot be considered at this late time. This one-time extension provided the FBI with a reasonable amount of time to complete this review.

The ARRB point-of-contact for all matters related to these referrals is Mr. Jim Goslee, at (202) 724-0088.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

cc: Ms. Elaine V. Rogic, Chief, IRR