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DRAFT BY KMHC AND TJG FOR ASSASSINATION RECORDS REVIEW BOARD REVIEW OF MANGOLD V. CIA FILES JANUARY 13 and 24, 1997

The <u>Mangold v. CIA</u> FOIA litigation files consist of 7 redwelds, totaling approximately 18 inches. They are organized by "tabs," which can be described as follows:

Tab A: copies of published newspaper and magazine clippings that were released in full. I see no need to designate any documents as assassination records from the set.

Tab B: copies of published newspaper articles, the texts of which have been released in full. The agency did redact marginalia, which consisted exclusively of file names and indicators. I see no need to designate any documents as assassination records from the set.

Tab C: documents about Angleton from the 1940s, including his career with OSS. I see no need to designate any documents as assassination records from the set.

Tab D: docs 94-230. AR (unless already part of the collection): Docs. 95 (24 Nov. 1978 Memorandum JJA testimony to HSCA). On December 11, 1978, the D.C.-based law firm of Duncan, Brown filed a FOIA request on behalf of James Angleton in conjunction with his anticipated testimony before the HSCA. Presumably all records related to this matter are AR and should be processed under the JFK Act. See doc. nos. 109-116, 120, 121.

Includes fitness reports (not designated). All of the fitness reports were reviewed to determine whether they contained probative information.

Tab E: documents previously released to Edward J. Epstein in response to a request for book reviews from CIA's internal journal "Studies in Intelligence." These documents are all copies of book reviews from Studies in Intelligence on issues related to intelligence. I see no need to designate any documents as assassination records from the set.

Tab F contains documents previously released to Henry Hurt in response to a request for documents concerning Alexander Orlov. Most of the documents are newspaper articles and reprints of Senate testimony. I see no need to designate any documents as assassination records from the set.

Tab G contains documents previously released to A. Doppelt (on behalf of The Readers Digest in response to a request for documents concerning Nicholas Shadrin. These documents include a speech by DCI Turner, testimony by Capt. Nikolai Fedorovich Artamonov (Shadrin) before the

Committee on Un-American Activities (Sept. 14, 1960), a transcript of a Panorama show on Artamonov, and extensive correspondence from his wife to various USG officials about Shadrin's disappearance. I see no need to designate any documents as assassination records from the set.

The Denied Documents File contains no assassination records and probably no EHUs, with the possible exception of the following records:

From Category VII: nos. 496, 498, 499, 500, 510

Doc. no. 496 is directly relevant for potential future leads. The document is a memorandum dated February 7, 1974. Doc. 498 is of interest regarding the Mafia, Teamsters, and Hoffa. Docs. 499-500, 510 regard allegations concerning assassination plots.

Otherwise, the Denied Documents file contains background information on JA, medical records, signed Special Clearance forms, administrative personnel information, information from denied FOIA requests, and various memoranda relating to different conversations between JA and Agency officers on a wide variety of issues.

The Partial Releases File contains no assassination records and no EHUs. This file contains OSS background information, OS files, administrative personnel information, and medical records. I see no need to designate any documents as assassination records from the set.

DRAFT NOTES BY TJG FOR ASSASSINATION RECORDS REVIEW BOARD JANUARY 13, 1997

On January 13, 1997, Michelle Combs and Jeremy Gunn from the ARRB Staff reviewed the files of Winston McKinley Scott at CIA headquarters in Langley, Virginia. The General Counsel's office stated that the files presented for our examination are the "complete" files known to the CIA on Scott.

The documents total approximately 6 inches, and include:

(1) A manuscript entitled "It Came to Little," by Ian Maxwell (pseud.), which contains 221 enumerated pages. The foreword to the manuscript states that the events recounted therein contain "no exaggerations and no deviations from basic truth." (unpaginated forward). It reveals that some true names have been used, and that this has been done without the consent of the persons named. The author expresses his "most sincere admiration and utmost respect for: Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investegation [sic]; Mr. James R. Murphy, wartime director of OSS/X-2; and particularly, the late Allen Welsh Dulles, OSS Chief in Switzerland during World War II, a principal architect in the creation of CIA for President Harry Truman and the Greatest Director CIA has had." The author refers to the blight of communism, and the courageous people who have worked to fight it, but nevertheless concludes that "all the effort [to thwart Communism] has come to little." (unpaginated forward)

There is only one chapter that makes any identifiable reference to the assassination of President Kennedy and to the events related to Mexico City at the time Lee Harvey Oswald was alleged to have visited. That chapter has been released in full to the public.

- (2) A Supplemental Declaration of J. Barry Harrelson from the case Michael Scott v. CIA, CA No. 1:95CV00686 with attached documents. The attached documents contain documents released in full and some that are redacted. According to CIA, all redacted documents are a part of the JFK collection. This should be confirmed. If they are part of the collection, no further steps need be taken. If not, they must be fully reviewed to determine whether they are assassination records.
- (3) Documents that appear to be copies of the personnel file of Win Scott. All of the documents in this file were reviewed to determine whether any assassination records are included. Our review disclosed no "assassination records." Although not assassination records, the following information was located in the personnel file:

- -- The records disclose that during World War II, while in the employ of the FBI, Scott worked in "connection with espionage and subversive activities" and in "counterespionage" while based in Havana.
- -- Document, dated 7/23/69, refers to the possibility that CIA might attempt to recruit Scott for the "Civilian Reserve Program (HR 20-15) following his retirement from the agency.
- -- On May 6, 1969, Scott was recommended for a Distinguished Intelligence Medal by William V. Broe, who was then Chief of WH. The recommendation includes the following statement:

"Mr. Scott built a large and highly effective organization targeted against highest priority national security targets; namely, the Soviet bloc presence south of the border. Given the nature of the target, Mr. Scott molded his station with a predominantly CI orientation until it has become a highly effective counterintelligence mechanism capable of covering Soviet Bloc and Cuban [activities]."

His Citation for the Distinguished Intelligence Medal includes the following statement:

"[H]e has served brilliantly in Mexico for over where among other things he has built a remarkable counterintelligence machine—a true bulwark helping to guard our southern border. His station has long been a showcase of technical intelligence methods as well as classical operations."

-- There is no record in the file that suggests, one way or the other, that Mr. Scott was ever treated for or suffered from any mental or emotional issue.

Unless the following are already part of the JFK collection, they should be designated "assassination records" and processed under the JFK Act.

- -- AR: Doc. 93: 8 Oct. 1976 for Chief, Security Analysis Group from [xxx] in Security Analysis Group, subject: Philip B. F. AGEE Exposure of CIA Personnel (4 pp.).
 - -- AR: Doc. 94: discussion of Chapter 21 of manuscript.
 - -- AR: Doc. 129: discussion of chapter 21 of manuscript
 - -- AR: Doc. 131: discussion of removing Scott papers after his death
 - -- AR: Doc. 132: ditto

AR: Doc. 134 brief message re: manuscript

TJG was shown the Records Control Schedule that appears to document the destruction of some Win Scott documents. This record should, perhaps, b e designated an "assassination record."

Queries/follow-up:

Verification no other WS files

Process ARs

Which records are already in collection?

ARRB must still review any Scott destruction schedules.