

Assassination Records Review Board

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Mr. Michael Beschloss
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Dear Mr. Beschloss:

As you are probably aware, the JFK Assassination Records Review Board has been established by law to identify and collect records (both governmental and private) relating to the assassination of President Kennedy. I am following through on several leads that we have developed for the pursuit of such records.

In your book *The Crisis Years* (which I think is excellent), you cite an interview with Richard Helms for the proposition that President Johnson requested CIA to conduct an independent inquiry (in 1964) into some matters relating to the assassination. I have been reviewing CIA's classified files on the assassination and I have not seen any references to such an inquiry. I would very much like to know whether you have any additional information that might help us identify any records relating to this issue.

I would very much like to meet with you to discuss this question as well as some additional matters pertaining to US intelligence operations in Mexico City and US activities with regard to Cuba during the 1962-64 period.

I will be attempting to reach you by phone during the next few days and I very much hope that we might set up a time to meet that will be convenient.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. T. Jeremy Gunn
Chief, Analysis and Review