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Mrs. Nellie Connally
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Dear Mrs. Connally:

I have read with interest the newspaper accounts of your public readings of your notes about the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. The tragic events in Dallas have too long been shrouded in much unnecessary secrecy, and I believe in describing your experiences, you have helped humanize and demystify those events.

I am affiliated with the Assassination Records Review Board, which is an independent Federal agency that was created pursuant to the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992, 44 U.S.C. § 2107 (Supp. V 1994). The JFK Act established a collection of records at the National Archives related to the assassination and created a Review Board to help ensure that all Federal records related to the assassination are included in the collection. We are also seeking to add to the collection private records that are of particular importance to understanding the assassination. I am enclosing a small brochure that describes our agency.

We would like to discuss with you the possibility of our reviewing your notes and also the possibility of your contributing your papers to the John F. Kennedy Collection at the National Archives.

I will try to call you early next week. By coincidence, I will be in Houston to conduct two interviews on March 21. If it would be convenient for you, I would very much enjoy meeting with you and discussing the issue at that time.

Please do not hesitate to call (collect) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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

Enclosure