Assassination Records Review Board Research and Analysis Briefing Handout

All Agencies Preliminary Analysis of Restrictions

1a [RC 1] Agent

- 1a.1 Record reveals an intelligence agent **currently** requiring protection
- 1a.2 AND disclosure of the record **threatens**: (i) national defense; (ii) intelligence operations; or (iii) the foreign relations of the United States
- 1a.3 AND the threat to national security is **sufficiently grave** so as to **outweigh the public interest** in disclosure.

1b [RC 2] Sources or Methods

- 1b.1 Record discloses a source or method that **is** or **could be** utilized by the U.S. government
- 1b.2 AND the source or method has not been officially disclosed
- 1b.3 AND the disclosure of the source or method would **threaten**: (i) national defense; (ii) intelligence operations; **OR** (iii) foreign relations
- 1b.4 AND the threat to national security is **sufficiently grave** so as to **outweigh the public interest** in disclosure.

1c [RC 3] Other National Security

- 1c.1 Disclosure of the record would **reveal any other matter that would demonstrably impair national security** (including the national defense, intelligence operations, or foreign relations)
- 1c.2 AND the threat to national security is **sufficiently grave** to **outweigh the public interest** in disclosure.

2. [RC 4] Confidential Informant

- 2.1 Record discloses the name or identity of a **living person**
- 2.2 AND the person provided confidential information to the United States
- 2.3 AND disclosure of the information poses a **substantial risk of harm**
- 2.4 AND the substantial risk of harm would be inflicted **on the person who** disclosed the information.

3. [RC 5] Invasion of Privacy

- 3.1 Disclosure of the record would constitute an **unwarranted** invasion of privacy
- 3.2 AND the invasion of privacy is **so substantial** that it **outweighs the public interest**.

4. [RC 6] Understanding of Confidentiality

- 4.1 Disclosure would compromise an understanding of confidentiality
- 4.2 AND that understanding **currently** requires protection
- 4.3 AND that understanding is between a **government agent AND** a cooperating **individual OR** a **foreign government**
- 4.4 AND public disclosure would be **so harmful** that it **outweighs the public interest** in disclosure.

5. [RC 7] Protection of Government Officials

- 5.1 Disclosure of the record would reveal a **protective procedure** that is **currently used** OR that **reasonably could be expected to be used** by the Secret Service or another government **agency responsible for protecting government officials**
- 5.2 AND the disclosure would be **so harmful** that it **outweighs the public**

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