MEMORANDUM

September 27, 1996

To: David Marwell

From: Joan Zimmerman

Subject: US Secret Service Postponements for September 27, 1996 Meeting

The Secret Service is willing to release all material in these documents except names and addresses of individuals in PRS files. The Service is requesting 6(3) postponements on the following documents:

154-10002-10286 154-10002-10319 154-10002-10340 154-10002-10353 154-10002-10358

The Service notes that these individuals appeared in USSS PRS files in 1963 and 1964, but argues that none of them engaged in activities related to the Kennedy assassination. The Service points out that to reveal their names would violate their privacy.

The Staff Recommends Release

The Secret Service has not met the standard that the staff believes the Board has set for a 6(3) postponement. The Service has not established that these individuals are still alive, which in the past the Board has set as a threshold issue. Three individuals named in 154-10002-10319, 154-10002-10340, and 154-10002-10353 engaged in public acts that had no guarantee of privacy. One individual threw a vase at a mirror during a White House tour; another man penetrated the Secret Service "screen" and rode on the followup car behind the presidential limousine; a third jumped over the fence at the White House. The other two names appear in documents that provide insight into presidential protection in 1963 and 1964. The Service has offered no specific evidence that these individuals are alive and would be seriously harmed if their names were released. Instead the Secret Service offers only general statements about its low threshold for inclusion in PRS files and an insistence that the Review Board demonstrate the relevance of these individuals to the assassination. Staff recommendation: release.