March 22, 1996

Mr. Robert Shaw 12851 E. Speedway Boulevard Tucson, AZ 85748

Dear Mr. Shaw:

I am writing to you on behalf of the Assassination Records Review Board, an independent Federal Agency established pursuant to the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act, 44 U.S.C. § 2107 (Supp. V 1994). The Review Board, whose members are appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate, is charged with collecting records related to the assassination of President Kennedy. The Review Board is not seeking to reach any conclusions regarding the assassination, but is primarily concerned with identifying, clarifying, locating, and making available assassination records. I am enclosing some explanatory material about the Review Board and its mandate.

As part of our mandate, we have been reviewing records that originated with the Central Intelligence Agency. Several of these records relate to the investigation of Lee Harvey Oswald's trip to Mexico City and his alleged association with the Fair Play for Cuba Committee and anti-Castro organizations. In addition, we have reviewed your testimony to the House Select Committee on Assassinations and have concluded that you may be able to answer some questions related to certain Cuban matters of the case. You also may be able to assist us in determining the existence of various assassination records connected with the events described above.

We would like to request a preliminary telephone interview to discuss the aforementioned issues. We will be contacting you in the near future to arrange for a convenient time for you.

Sincerely yours,

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

Enclosures

cc: Mr. John Pereira Historical Review Group Central Intelligence Agency