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Dr. John Newman
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Dear John:

I wish to give you an update concerning your longstanding interest in Oswald-related "Russian Funds" records at the FBI. The ARRB staff has requested and reviewed the Dallas field-office file 105-976 and the Headquarters files 65-29839 and 100-353496 for the years 1959-1964. Per the advice of the ARRB staff, the FBI has agreed to review under the JFK Act the records we identified as Oswald- or assassination-related. We have asked the FBI to make these records a high priority among the body of still-unreviewed material. Under the precedents established in last year's appeals to the White House, we expect that these records will be released with minimal, if any, redactions.

We have asked the FBI to provide for our review the corresponding New York field office files for these cases, and expect the same result for any additional records in those files that are responsive to the JFK Act.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours,

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