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## BY FACSIMILE & FIRST-CLASS MAIL

Ms. Margaret P. Grafeld Director Office of Information Resources Management Programs and Services United States Department of State 2101 C Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20520

Re: United States Department of State Compliance with the JFK Assassination Records Collection Act, 44 U.S.C. § 2107

Dear Ms. Grafeld:

We wish to thank the Department of State for its letters of August 7, August 20, and November 21, 1997, which provided the Review Board with additional information regarding certain State Department files. In addition, we have received your October 16, 1997 letter enclosing the State Department's proposed Final Declaration of Compliance and requesting any comments.

We appreciate the information you provided in response to our requests, and we are currently reviewing the State Departement's submissions. We hope to complete our review shortly and then submit to you our substantive response, including guidance for the submission of the State Department's Final Declaration of Compliance under the JFK Act.

Thank you for your continuing assistance to the Review Board.

Sincerely,

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cc: Nina J. Noring, JFK Act Liaison,

State Department