AGREEMENT RE HISTORICAL MATERIALS OF ABE FORTAS

- 1. By Deed of Gift dated January 11, 1980, Abe Fortas donated certain papers (the "Fortas papers") to Yale University, and title to those papers was transferred to the university. It was the Donor's wish that the Fortas papers be made available for research in the Yale University Library, subject to the stipulation that the papers shall be closed until January 1, 2000, except to those who have received the written permission of the Donor. Following the death of Abe Fortas, Yale University Library permitted his widow, Carolyn Agger Fortas, to grant access to the Fortas papers for research purposes. Mrs. Fortas provided that upon her death, G. Duane Vieth was designated as the person who may grant access to the Fortas papers until they are opened on January 1, 2000. Mrs. Fortas is now deceased.
- 2. Among the Fortas papers are certain historical materials described as files from the White House series of the Fortas papers maintained at Yale University:

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- 3. Yale University has furnished to G. Duane Vieth machine copies of said files.
- 4. G. Duane Vieth hereby donates said machine copies (hereinafter referred to as "the Donated Materials") to the United States of America, for deposit in the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection ("JFK Collection") at the National Archives and Records Administration ("NARA"). The Donated Materials are hereby transferred to NARA directly or through the Assassination Records Review Board ("Review Board"). The Donated Materials will be placed in the JFK Collection in accordance with the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992, 44 U.S.C. § 2107.
- 5. To abide by the terms of the Fortas donor agreement governing donation of the Fortas papers to Yale University and governing their eventual public release, NARA agrees that the Donated Materials will be closed to the public until January 1, 2000. Until that time, NARA will retain custody of said Donated Materials in its non-public protected collection. The Review Board has determined that the Donated Materials are assassination records and that, based on the donor agreement with Yale University, the Donated Materials may remain closed until January 1, 2000.
- 6. The United States shall have the right to make and distribute copies of the Donated Materials

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preservation, arrangement, repair and	rictions placed upon it by law or regulation, provide for the rehabilitation, duplication and reproduction, description, the Donated Materials as may be needful or appropriate.		
Date:			
	G. Duane Vieth		
Date:	T. Jeremy Gunn Executive Director Assassination Records Review Board		
Having received the Donated Materials from the representative of the JFK Assassination Records Review Board and pursuant to my authority under 44 U.S.C. § 2111, I accept this gift on behalf of the United States of America, subject to the terms, conditions, and restrictions set forth above.			
Date:	Signed:		
	John W. Carlin		

Archivist of the United States