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VIA FACSIMILE and FIRST-CLASS MAIL

LCDR Paul M. Delaney, JAGC, USN Staff Judge Advocate National Naval Medical Center Bethesda, Maryland 20889-5600

Re: Bethesda National Naval Medical Center Compliance with the

JFK Assassination Records Collection Act, 44 U.S.C. § 2107

Dear LCDR Delaney:

Thank you for following up on my November 10, 1997 letter to you in which I requested a further accounting of certain 1963-64 files of the National Naval Medical Center at Bethesda, Maryland ("NNMC"). I today spoke with Lt. Cmdr. Sharon Winkler-Peiser, NNMC's Associate Director for Administrative Services, who explained to me the measures being taken to identify and review additional files at NNMC. We appreciate your cooperation and diligence in this regard.

In my November 10 letter, I requested that NNMC submit, by December 15, a supplemental declaration regarding its compliance with the JFK Act. In view of NNMC's ongoing work, I want to confirm that NNMC may have an additional week within which to submit this declaration.

Sincerely,

T. Jeremy Gunn Executive Director