

March 19, 1996

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Re: Tapes referenced in letter of August 13, 1982, from Miami Police Chief Kenneth
Harms to Congressman Peter Rodino (HSCA Record 180-10068-10280)

Dear Assistant Chief Brooks:

In our review of records generated by the House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA), we have come across the letter referenced above, in which then-Chief Harms offered to make available to Chairman Peter Rodino tapes relevant to the HSCA's investigation into the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

According to the letter, these are tapes that HSCA investigators had requested be made available in March of 1978. The tapes were located only after the completion of the HSCA's work.

If these tapes are still in existence, the Review Board would be very interested in listening to them and possibly obtaining them for inclusion in the JFK Collection at the National Archives.

I apologize that our Chief Investigator, Anne Buttimer, was not aware of Chief Harm's letter when she visited your Department last October, and thus was not able to make this request in person. Nonetheless, our Board would greatly appreciate it if you could apprise us of the status of the tapes referenced by Chief Harms.

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Thank you for your ongoing and much appreciated cooperation with our efforts.

Sincerely yours,

David G. Marwell
Executive Director

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