

November 25, 1996

Renee Barley
FOIA Administrator
Bureau of Prisons
320 1st Street, N.W.
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Washington, DC 20534

Re: Review of HSCA Records Under the JFK Act

Dear Ms. Barley:

I am writing in regard to review under the John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act, 44 U.S.C. § 2107 (Supp. V 1994) ("JFK Act" or "Act") of two House Select Committee on Assassinations ("HSCA") records previously forwarded to your office (HSCA Record Nos. 180-10087-10108 and 180-10092-10065). As was discussed in a telephone conversation last Friday between Brian Rosen of the Review Board and Michelle Coulombe of your staff, we received your request for postponement of release of certain information in these documents on the basis that the information is exempt from disclosure under FOIA standards. The Review Board is scheduled to make determinations on these records at its December 16, 1996 meeting.

If you would like to offer further evidence to support your proposed postponements at the December 16 meeting, please forward such evidence to the Review Board by December 11, 1996. As we informed Ms. Coulombe, the JFK Act allows the Review Board to release information that may not qualify for release under FOIA. Specifically, Section 11(a) of the JFK Act provides that provisions for release under the Act take precedence over FOIA criteria for postponement. Section 6 of the Act lists the postponement provisions applicable to the Review Board's determinations.

If you have any questions regarding these records or the Review Board's procedures, please do not hesitate to call Brian Rosen at the number listed above. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

David G. Marwell
Executive Director