March 7, 1997

Mr. Henry Wolfinger Chief, Civilian Appraisal Staff (NWRC) National Archives and Records Administration College Park, Maryland 20740-6001

Re: Copies of Disposition Schedules N1-59-97-4 and N1-84-97-2

Dear Mr. Wolfinger:

The Assassination Records Review Board (ARRB) is an independent Federal agency created by the President John F. Kennedy Records Collection Act of 1992 (P.L. 102-526) to oversee the identification and release of records related to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. In this regard, the ARRB is interested in identifying any additional records that may relate to the death of President Kennedy.

In the January 31, 1997 Federal Register, (Volume 62, Number 21, pages 4814-4815), there is notice from the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) regarding the requests of certain Federal agencies for records disposition authority. According to the announcement, the record schedules identify those records that warrant either retention at the National Archives or that may be destroyed. The January 31 notice identified two record schedules the ARRB would be interested in examining in order to determine if they are relevant to identifying any records that relate to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

We would appreciate receiving the following record schedules: (1) Department of State, Bureau of Diplomatic Security (N1-59-97-4) (#4 in your notice), and (2) Foreign Service Posts (N1-84-97-2) (#6 in the notice).

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

David Marwell

Executive Director