September 25, 1996

The Honorable William M. Thomas Chairman Committee on House Oversight U.S. House of Representatives 1309 Longworth Office Building Washington, DC 20515-6157

Re: Agreement to Allow ARRB to Hand-Carry House Select Committee

on Assassination (HSCA) Records to FBI Headquarters

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I am writing to confirm our understanding, with Roman Buhler of your staff, that the Assassination Records Review Board has the consent of your Committee to hand-carry House Select Committee on Assassination (HSCA) records to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The purpose of this agreement is to facilitate the Bureau's declassification and release of their equities in the HSCA documents.

As I proposed in my letter of May 3, 1996 -- and as reiterated in General Counsel T. Jeremy Gunn's conversation with Mr. Buhler on September 24 -- these records will be accompanied by Review Board personnel at all times and will be returned to the Review Board's SCIF at the end of each day.

Thank you again for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

David G. Marwell Executive Director

cc: Mr. Michael L. Gillette, Center for Legislative Archives