

# MEMORANDUM

July 23, 1997

TO: Dean Kermit L. Hall

FROM: T. Jeremy Gunn

SUBJECT: Correspondence with Army

Dear Kermit:

I am enclosing a copy of the formal request that we sent to the Army today regarding the ASA and domestic surveillance. I assume that this is merely the first round of what may be a lengthy process.

I will let you know when they identify persons knowledgeable about ASA records and activities and try to schedule a meeting so that you can attend.

I also am enclosing some materials that I reviewed before I drafted and sent the letter. Included are pages from the Church Committee's Final Report as well as pages 411-17 (and selected attachments) from the book *Orders to Kill* by William F. Pepper, the lawyer who is now representing James Earl Ray. Pepper's sources for the relevant pages are two unnamed former Special Forces personnel who claim to have knowledge regarding military surveillance of domestic activities during the 1960s. As with the Church Committee Report, their comments pertain to the later 1960s. I would be very interested in hearing your critique and observations on the accuracy and the probative value of their assertions as conveyed by Pepper. If you would like to see any additional pages from these texts, please let me know.

I will be going back to Warsaw in early September for another OSCE meeting. It's too bad that I have not yet been able to learn Polish by osmosis.

Enclosures