

MEMORANDUM

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Subject: Status Report Re Compliance Program

In connection with preparing a status report to Congress, set forth is a proposed report on the Compliance Program:

To date, the Review Board has received final certifications from a number of federal agencies attesting, under oath, that they have completed their record searches for materials relating to the assassination of President Kennedy and that they have otherwise fully complied with the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act ("JFK Act"). Final certifications of compliance have been submitted by Bethesda Naval Hospital, the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, certain components of the Department of the Army (namely, the Criminal Investigative Command and the Central Security Facility), the Customs Service, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms, the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice, and the Postal Service. Almost all other relevant agencies, including the major agencies such as the FBI, the Secret Service, the Department of Defense, the National Archives and Records Administration (including the Presidential libraries), the State Department, the Immigration & Naturalization Service, the Navy, and other Divisions of the Department of Justice have submitted interim reports regarding their compliance with the JFK Act. The Review Board staff has been reviewing these reports and meeting directly with these agencies to suggest follow-up work necessary for them to complete their obligations under the JFK Act. Final certifications will be submitted by these agencies in the coming months. With respect to the intelligence agencies -- CIA and NSA -- the Review Board staff has been working with them directly, and we anticipate compliance statements from these agencies later in the year.