

July 2, 1996

Mr. David Petree
Director
National Personnel Records Center
9700 Page Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri 63132

Dear Mr. Petree:

By way of introduction, the Assassination Records Review Board (ARRB) is an independent federal agency created to oversee the identification and release of records related to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. The ARRB was established by the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992 ("The Act"). The Act gives the ARRB the mandate and authority to identify, secure, and make available all records related to the assassination of President Kennedy. I am enclosing a copy of the Act and some explanatory material about the Review Board.

Over the last year, we have received support from Mr. William Siebert and Mr. William Bassman in obtaining records relevant to our efforts. We are currently working on a project of larger scope and we believe it would be most effective if some members of my staff visited the NPRC. We have discussed this project with Mr. Siebert and Mr. Bassman and have informally set July 10 - 12 as the dates for this visit. We have sent a list of those files that we would like to review.

Please let me know if you see any problem with us proceeding with this research visit as tentatively scheduled.

Sincerely,

David G. Marwell
Executive Director

Enclosures