March 3, 1997

Mr. William Leary Senior Director, Records And Access Management National Security Council Room 392, Old Executive Office Building Washington, D.C. 20504

Dear Mr. Leary:

In accordance with the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992 (PL 102-526, 44 U.S.C. § 2107, the "JFK Act"), I am enclosing a copy of the Assassination Records Review Board FY 1996 report.

The attachment to this letter is intended to present the accomplishments of the Assassination Records Review Board during FY 1996. Included in this report is the Review Board's recommendation that the JFK Act be amended to extend the Board's mandate for one additional year.

Should you have any questions, please call me at (202) 724-0088.

Sincerely,

David G. Marwell Executive Director

Enclosure