ASSASSINATION RECORDS ADVISORY

FEBRUARY 27, 1997

CONTACT: EILEEN SULLIVAN (202) 724-0088, ext. 253

ASSASSINATION RECORDS REVIEW BOARD VOTES TO RELEASE CIA, FBI, NSA, OSD, AND HSCA and USSS RECORDS

January 29-30, 1997 Board Meeting Totals

The Assassination Records Review Board voted on January 29-30, 1997 to release an additional 552 CIA, FBI, NSA, OSD, HSCA, and USSS documents, including duplicates, related to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

CIA Records

The Review Board voted to release 64 CIA records, three in full and 61 in part. These documents include correspondence between the CIA and HSCA regarding access to classified information, and notes taken by HSCA staffers pertaining to various topics, including information on CIA operations in Mexico City at the time of Lee Harvey Oswald's visit there in the fall of 1963.

FBI Records

The Board also voted to release 101 FBI records, 29 in full and 72 in part. These assassination investigation documents consist, in part, of records related to. In addition, 179 documents will be available by consent release.

NSA and OSD Records

The Board voted to release in part one NSA document that pertains to statements made by Warren Commission member John McCloy in January 1964. In addition, the Board voted to release three OSD (Office of the Secretary of Defense) documents in full. These documents are January 1963 memos that relate to the United States policy toward Cuba.

HSCA and NARA Documents

The Board voted to release 83 HSCA documents in part. Included in this group of documents is a report of an interview between Richard Dennis Call and an HSCA investigator. Call, who served in the Marine Corps with Lee Harvey Oswald, states that he was Oswald's immediate supervisor. An additional 118 documents will be available by consent release.

-more-

Notification to the President and the Agencies

Notification of the Review Board's action on the above documents was sent to the President of the United States and the agencies on February 14, 1997. The President has 30 days to agree or disagree with the Review Board's decisions.

Secret Service Records

The Board voted to release the Richard Case Nagell file with two postponements for social security numbers only. The Review Board also voted to release an additional three documents, one in full and two in part.

As part of the mandate of the Review Board to identify assassination records, the Board designated the following Secret Service materials as "assassination records": "Protect Subject Abstract" CASE NR 127-671-0018686 (four pages).

-30-