January 29, 1996

Dear Mr. xxxxxx:

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce you to the Assassination Records Review Board, an independent federal agency created by The President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992 (PL 102-526) to oversee the review and release of records related to the assassination of President Kennedy. President Clinton appointed the five members of the Board in April 1994. I have enclosed a fact sheet on the Review Board for your information.

An important part of the Review Board's mandate, as articulated by the United States Congress, is to compile at the National Archives as complete a record of the assassination as possible. The Congress clearly stated that the Review Board was to search beyond the records of previous governmental investigations and seek relevant assassination records that are in private hands.

The coverage by your (network or station) of President Kennedy's assassination has prompted this letter. Any coverage of the assassination or related events and subsequent programming about the assassination constitutes an important part of the assassination record. The Review Board is very interested in discussing with your (network or station) any video or film in your possession that may be relevant to the record of the assassination which we are compiling as part of our mandate.

As a follow-up to this letter, Tom Samoluk, Associate Director for Communications, will be contacting you in the near future to discuss this matter. Please do not hesitate to call him at (202) 724-0088, ext. 227, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

David G. Marwell Executive Director

enclosure