

March 20, 1996

Mr. Robert S. Sloan
City Secretary
Dallas City Hall
Dallas, Texas 75201

Dear Mr. Sloan:

As I know you are aware from previous correspondence, the Assassination Records Review Board is 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.

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 from the files of state and local governments.

I would like to take this opportunity to request that the Review Board be allowed to use the original negatives from the Dallas Police Department to have prints made that would be included in the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection at the National Archives. I am sure you will agree that the Dallas Police Department photograph collection constitutes an important part of the assassination record. Please be assured, I understand that there are details involving cost, logistics and security that would have to be discussed. Ideally, we would like to arrange for the National Archives to do the photo work.

Please call me at your earliest possible convenience to discuss this important matter. I can be reached at (202) 724-0088, ext. 232. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

David G. Marwell
Executive Director