March 5, 1997

Mr. John Podesta
Deputy Chief of Staff to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20502

Dear Mr. Podesta:

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