

January 11, 1995

TO: David Marwell

FROM: Sheryl Walter

RE: Additional material for proposed "assassination record" guidance

A. Suggested new text re "artifacts"

At the Board's public hearing on December 14, representatives of the National Archives expressed concerns about the Board's inclusion of "artifacts" in the scope of "assassination records" made part of the Collection to be housed at NARA.

For definition:

The Board has determined that, for purposes of applying the act's provision that "copies" be provided upon request of items in the Collection to artifacts that may be a part of the Collection a photograph of the particular artifact for which a "copy" is sought will suffice to achieve the act's purposes. "Public access" shall be granted in a way that guarantees the continued preservation and integrity of the artifact, as determined by the staff of NARA based on their evaluation of the preservation needs and related considerations of the particular artifact.