

May 29, 1996

Mr. Vincent Madonia
17907 New Riders Way
Anderson, California 96007-9253

Dear Mr. Madonia:

I am writing to you on behalf of the Assassination Records Review Board, an independent Federal Agency established pursuant to the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act, 44 U.S.C. § 2107 (Supp. V 1994). The Review Board, whose members are appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate, is charged with the responsibility of collecting records related to the assassination of President Kennedy. The Review Board is not seeking to reach any conclusions regarding the assassination, but is primarily concerned with identifying, clarifying, locating, and making available assassination records. I am enclosing some explanatory material about the Review Board and its mandate.

You are mentioned in at least three different assassination-related records as having been involved in the developing of film taken at the autopsy of President John F. Kennedy while you were a Naval Officer stationed at the Navy Photographic Center at Anacostia in Washington, D.C. We would like very much to talk with you about your involvement in developing film of the President's autopsy, and about the circumstances surrounding that activity. Our prospective interview with you will be oriented toward filling in certain gaps in the record, and clarifying, to the extent possible, the circumstances surrounding the developing of the autopsy film. With your assistance, the Review Board may be able to better complete the official record of the President's autopsy and related events.

Please take the opportunity to review the enclosed material which explains the scope of the JFK Act, the Review Board's mandate, and its powers. A member of our staff will call you the week of June 10-14, 1996 to schedule a telephonic interview for a time of your convenience. In the meantime, we would ask that you do not discuss the above subject with anyone else until such time as your contacts with the Review Board have

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concluded. Prior to us calling you, should you have any questions regarding the JFK Act or the Review Board, please feel free to call either Mr. Tim Wray, our Chief Analyst for Military Records, or Mr. Douglas Horne, a Senior Analyst familiar with the medical evidence in this case. We look forward to talking with you soon.

Sincerely,

David G. Marwell
Executive Director

Enclosure