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Subject: Interviews on Veazey Film

COMMENTS:

Judge:

As we discussed on the telephone, I think that your talking points for the CBS Evening News interview should be broad and do not have to directly relate to the Veazey film since you have not seen it and none of us are experts on the photographic record.

I suggest the following talking points:

1. The acquisition of this, and other private records, supplements the release of federal records in which the Board has been engaged since last June.

2. The Board is reaching out to Americans and in a very real sense making them a part of our efforts to enrich our history.

3. There has probably never been such an opportunity for individual Americans to be so directly involved in contributing to the historical record of our country.

4. Americans have always understood that all of our history is important, the good and the bad. That is why we are asking for their help.

5. The acquisition of films and photographs and other records in private hands will supplement the growing historical record that is already at the National Archives.

6. Janet Veazey and her family should be commended for making this donation. It is a donation to the American people and to history.

7. The members of the Review Board hope that her efforts will serve as a model for other people who may possess records which would add to the JFK Collection and perhaps shed more historical light on this tragedy.

8. The acquisition of this film begs the question: What else is out there that we have not already seen? Is there an important historical film photograph or record in a shoe box in someone's attic? We would like to hear from people if they think they have something which will add to the historical record.

9. An important point for people to understand is that whatever the Review Board acquires will be shared with the American public as part of the Collection at the National Archives.

10. I hope that involving Americans in our efforts, asking them to be "historians," and sharing our history will lead to more confidence and pride in our government. This is an important effort to be more open and to shed light on a great American tragedy that was shrouded in secrecy for far too long.